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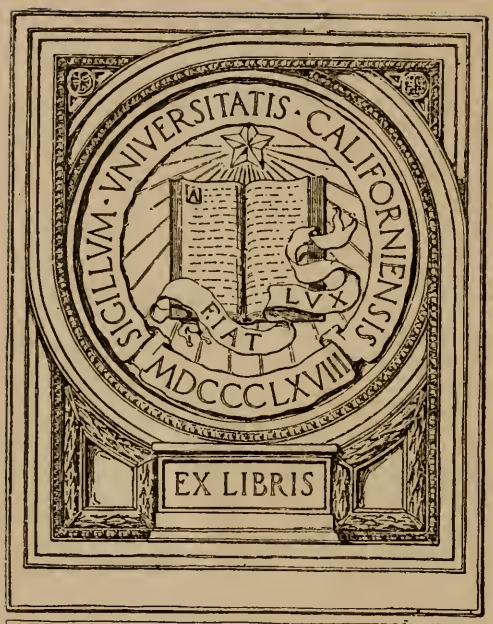

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James Raine,

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PREFACE

THESE Miscellanies have been prepared to make a small second volume for 1888. They are historical documents of considerable interest and have a great dialectic value in addition to the information they afford about Northern persons and manners.

The documents are chiefly drawn from the registers of the Lord Mayor and Corporation of York, and comprise:—

I. An account of the proceedings in a remarkable case of adulteration at York, showing the care that was taken to prevent what has been in all ages one of the great vices of traders. It also shows how a criminal could often escape from justice by appealing for protection to some great personage.

II. All the verdicts of the searchers called in to decide about encroachments, &c., in the city of York, down to the year 1500.

III. The presentments of the juries appended to the Court-rolls of the Abbots of Selby, from the originals in the possession of the Earl of Londesborough.

IV. A series of certificates of the parentage and birth of certain persons who had been charged with being Scots. This series contains all the certificates in English on the York registers, and they are exceedingly curious.

V. The programme for the reception of Henry VII. on his first visit to York in 1486.

VI. The customs and liberties of the burgesses of New Malton, from the original roll in the possession of Earl Fitzwilliam.

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VII. A somewhat new version of the famous old Northern ballad of 'Sir Andrew Barton, Knight,' with important variations.

In the Appendix is given a sample of a suggested Glossary of Northern English words, to illustrate and explain the publications of the Surtees Society.

It has long been the intention of the Society to make such an attempt, as may be seen from the list of the works which the Council has intended to publish. So long ago as October 1854, in the very beginning of his secretaryship, the present writer commenced the undertaking at the instigation of his father. His method of procedure was a simple one. He provided himself with a pair of stout folio volumes, divided and cut away at the edges into alphabetical divisions. One of these was for English words; the other for mediæval Latin, which requires a Glossary quite as much as the English. The English volume is the only one that has been persevered with. Into this the writer has from time to time entered his quotations and references, sometimes working for a month or two continuously, sometimes laying the work aside for a long time.

The writer has gone systematically through the publications, making a selection of the most pertinent examples of each dialectic and peculiar word, and reading some of the volumes many times over for that purpose. But he has done more than this. He has greatly added to the value of the collection by incorporating in it the words which have struck him during his examination of Northern MSS. and printed works of authority prior to the reign of George I. A reference to the examples given will show how wide the range has been. He has also included the words which occur in the publications of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-on-Tyne, the Yorkshire Archæological Association, and the North Riding Record Society, in the hope that the Glossary may be of use to other literary bodies as well as the Surtees Society.

The ground covered by the examples is chiefly the three counties of Yorkshire, Durham, and Northumberland.

The following method has been adopted:—(1) To give the date and place. (2) The quotation in the original spelling. (3) A reference to the authority from which the quotation has been derived. An attempt has also been made, which *can* be tried in a district of limited extent, to spread the examples as far as possible over the selected area, and to pay regard also to their chronological sequence. It is, of course, impossible to do this in any work of a general character.

During the time this Collection of Northern Words has been in progress, the great English Dictionary of the Philological Society has commenced, and another Dictionary of the English Dialects will soon be in the press. Several kind friends of the writer have advised the surrender of the materials he has collected for the furtherance of these two great schemes, especially of the first. It must be remembered, however, that the main object of the writer has been to place within the reach of the members of the Surtees Society an explanatory handbook of the English words contained in the works of their own Society, which a dictionary on so grand a scale as that of the Philological Society cannot possibly do. No one can have a more hearty desire for the success of the great dictionary than the writer. As soon as he heard of its commencement, he sent to Dr. Murray a list of all the words under the first letter in the alphabet of which he had examples, and gladly sent to him all that he desired to have. This, of course, detracts somewhat from the novelty of some of the words which appear in the present specimen. At the same time, it must be mentioned that since the list was sent to Dr. Murray the number of words under the letter A which the writer has acquired has been very largely extended.

The writer has contented himself with giving an explanation of the meaning of each word, often derived from the great dictionary, and always, he hopes, acknowledged. As to the

origin and descent of the words, and their connection with various races and tongues, the reader is referred to Dr. Murray and his colleagues, who are carrying out a work which will last for all time. If he may venture upon a criticism, he would very respectfully suggest that a number of words seem to him to come from the Late Latin rather than from the Old French, and that scarcely enough regard seems to be paid to the Scandinavian element in the Northern vocabulary.

The readers of this specimen will observe frequent references to the Northern provincial glossaries as evidence of the present use of many words. There are not many of these glossaries that are of any importance; some are mere word-lists hastily compiled, and often taken from some printed work. The amalgamation of these provincial efforts, great or small, may best be left to the editors of the great Dictionary of Dialects. It is not the duty of the writer to pursue a word beyond the boundaries of the three great Northern counties to which he confines himself. The dialectic element, has, of course, been mainly regarded in the choice of the words selected. It is not easy always to say when a word ceases to be dialectic. Several friends would have inserted a still larger number of words; others would have picked out fewer. There are some words, such as *abate*, *abide*, *abridge*, *accord*, *affect*, and others, which seem, at first sight, to be of a more general character, although they are by no means general in their use at the present day.

It is to be hoped that a Dictionary of the Old Northern English will some time be compiled, for which there are ample materials. The present specimen makes no pretence whatever to occupy such a position. It is merely, as the writer said before, a kind of handbook to the local words contained in the books of the Surtees Society, with illustrations and additions, that is all. These few pages are now presented to the members to evoke criticism and direct their attention to a scheme of very considerable importance. Perhaps nothing further may come of it; but, if it is to be carried out, there must be a combination

of labour. All suggestions, and any offers of help, will be cordially welcomed. The rougher and the harder part of the work is already done, at a cost of time and exertion of which these few pages can give no adequate idea. The best of the writer's working days are over, and it is not much more that he can hope to do for the Surtees Society, very strong although the ties are which bind him to it. The preparation of this Glossary may be regarded, perhaps, as one of the fancies and the follies of a very laborious life. The writer is very grateful for the kind help and sympathy which many have shown to him. He would, perhaps, never have prepared the letter A unless he had been encouraged to go on with it and greatly assisted by the help and abundant kindness of Mr. Lawley, who knows by experience what such work is, and he has to thank the Rev. J. C. Atkinson, of Danby, for many suggestions which no person is better qualified to make or more willing to offer.

J. R.

ENGLISH MISCELLANIES.

I. AN ACCOUNT OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN A REMARKABLE CASE OF ADULTERATION AT YORK.

[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 255.]

In ye name of God, Amen. Yt ys to hafe in mynde yat whare yar* ys a Constitucion in ye crafte of Girdelers in ye cite of York, yat nane of yat crafte wirke any lede amang other metaill, bot yf yt be in souldour, for deceyvyng of ye kyng'ys people, of perill of a certayn payne, apon thys ane of ye Sercheours, sworn of ye sayd crafte, come befor John Aldstanemor, Mair of ye kynge's cite of Yorke, and other many, and be ye vertu of hys athe he present in a forfet of John Fysshe girdeler, made in hys crafte, for stuthes of xxxiij gyrdels of menged metaill agayn ye ordenaunce of hys crafte, and in deceyvyng of ye kynge's people, ye whilk John Fysshe, impeched befor ye Mair of yis trespasse, sayd yat he boght yat metaill of yase stuthes of John Lyllyng, whilk was proved and founden fals, for tin and lede was menged togedyr; and, wyth thys, grete rumour sprang in the people, yat yar was in cite of York now makers and utterers of fals osmundes, and yat Burn, smyth in Bouthum, and John Holgate, marsshall in the suburbe of Walmegate in York, suld make yam. And so John Burn come before ye sayde Mayr, and be hys athe, made opon the haly Evangill, he sayde yat he cutted aboute xxvj peces of fals Inglysh iryn of John Lyllyng of York mercer, at ye byddyng of hym, and made yam in shappe of osmundes, and als he sayd he wold 1428.

* The y represents the so-called thorn letter, which is generally used in this document.

noght hafe had a pece of yam for a nother wyrkyng, and yay war made to blend with gude osmundes.

And ye sayd John Holgate come befor the sayd Mayr, and he, sworn apon a buke, sayd yat John Lyllyng sent hym with hys awen cariage iij^{c} & di. of landyren, and iiij^{c} and mo peces of fals drosseyren, every hundreth of vj^{xx} peces, to make in osmundes to menge with other, for ye whilk ye sayd John Holgate when he had wrought, he sayd he wald noght hafe gyfen iij d. for iiij stane of yam. He sayd, forther mar, yat the sayd John Lyllyng delyvered hym a osmund to make all other of the same shappe.

Item ye sayd John Lyllyng, when he was first examined of thys mater, he wald hafe sworn apon a buke befor ye sayd Mayr and other, had noght Thomas Bracebrygg counseld hym nay and lettid hym, yat he gart make bot xxvj peces, nor yat had na ma fals osmundes in hys house. And than ye sayd Mayr, after ye custume of ye cite, sent to ye Sercheours of ye Irenmangers of the cite of York yat John Stertavant Esquier, the Mayr Sergeant, and thay suld wend in to ye house of the sayd John Lyllyng to serche what osmundes he had with in hym at yat tyme ; and so, att ye commandment of ye Mayr, yai yode, and serched, and yai fand yar ij barels of new made osmundes of drosse menged with gude osmundes, and other fals osmundes oute of barells. And the Mayr sent of yam to smyths to se be yayr crafte if yai war abill to putt in werk, and yar yai myght noght abyde ye hamer, bot brake in small peces. And also yai fand certein smale peces multen tyn menged with other metall, als wele is to shewe in ye chambre.

And, after this, come William Kyam of York merchaunt, and sayd to ye sayd Mayr and other that he was late at Hull, and come to John Bower stathe, and thar John Bower proferd to sell hym a laste of osmundes, and yar this William Kyam saw ij barells of osmundes market with ye marke of John Lyllyng, and he tuke uppe ye heued of a barell and yt semed gude abouen, and he opend ye heued of ye other barell and yt was bot drosse in pecys, and he come to John Bower and told hym lyke als he fand, and John Bower sayd hym yat he had sald sex barells of John Lyllyng's of yat same sorte, every barell for xij s.

Here apon, in ye Vigill of Peter and Paule Apostells, in ye yer of ye regne of Kyng Henre Sext after ye Conqueste fyft, the sayd John Lyllyng come befor ye sayd John Aldestanemore Mayr of York, Richard Russell newly Mayr of ye Staple and Calyse, William Bowes, John of Moreton, Thomas Gare, Henre Preston, Thomas Esyngwald, Thomas Bracebryg, William Ormesheued, Piers Bukey, John Bolton, Aldermen, Guy Rouclyff Recorder, William Gryllyngton ane of ye Shirrefes, Thomas Doncastre, Geffray Sauvage, Robert Yarom, Th. Snawden, John Lofthouse, John Gascoyngne, Thomas Aton, Thomas Kyrham, William Bedall, William Gaytesheued, Thomas Davy, William Craven of ye xxiiij, and thar he was empeched of forgeyng of fals osmundes of drosse and of landyren, and of utteryng of yam in foule deceyte and ryght grete harme of ye kynge's people, and ryght gret sklaundre of ye cite of York, and agayne ye course of trewe marchandise; and to thys he answerd and sayd yat he perceyved wele yat iren waxed skant and dere, and he had mykyll with in hym of dross and landiren; and tharfor he gart forge yt in shapp of osmundes for utteryng of his iren so into Iseland and so he gart yarof, als he graunted, ix^{xx} peces & xij, and utterd many of yam at Hull and oyer places: and for this defaute he submit hym to abyde and fulfill ye jugement of ye Mayr and ye Counsell of ye chambre; and be ye avyse of ye Mayr and ye befor sayd Consell yt was awarded yat John Lyllyng suld fynd seurte of v^{c} marke yat he suld abyde thaward of ye Mayr an ye Counseyll of ye chambre what tyme he war warned for trespasses abouensayd, als fer als fell to yair power or auctorite. And apon yis John Gascoigne and William Bedale become pleges and seurte for ye sayd John Lyllyng, yat he suld abyde and fulfill ye awarde of ye Mayr and ye Counsell what tyme he was warned. And als for a parcell of yair jugement and yair awarde at yat tyme, yai charged ye sayd John Lyllyng yat fra yan furth he suld bere ye kynge's pease to John Holgate mersshall and John Bron smyth abouensayd, wham he thret with bodily harme, for yai bar recorde agayne hym, and to all ye kynge's people, of payne of v^{c} marke, to be rayved of ye landes and tenementes of ye sayd John Lyllyng, to ye oeps of

our soverayne lorde ye kyng, yf he did any thyng agayne ye kynge's pease yat myght be proved apon hym lawfully in tyme comyng. And, over this, ye sayd Mayr and ye Counsell of ye sayd cite discharged ye said John Lyllyng of ye Counsell of the chambre, and of hys fredom of franchise of ye cite, and charged hym yat he suld noght occupy in bying nor in sellyng als a concitezin, bot als a straunger, nor yat he suld hald na shopp of his opyn within ye fraunchise of ye cite unto ye tyme yat ye Mayr and ye Counsell of ye chambre war in oyer maner avysed, and yat all hys fals osmundes in his house suld be broght in to ye chambre of counsell of ye sayd cite.

And wyth yis ye sayd John Lyllyng was accused and noysed amang mercers and other men, yat girdelers of ye citee had in thar houses fals tyn mengyd wyth other metaill yat was boght of hym, and so the Sercheours of ye Girdelers of yis cite, be commandement of ye Mayr, serched, be vertu of yair office, after ye custume of ye cite, and yai fand in yair crafte certayn peces in shappe and fourme of harowes, multen of tyn & lede and pewtre to gedir, yat was selled for clene tyn, agayne course of clene marchandise, whilk was boght of John Lyllyng, and yase peces yai broght to ye Mayr in to ye chambre, and yat was wele funden and proved y^{t} John Lyllyng had salde mykell swylk deceyvable tyn to bellemakers in to ye cuntre and other men, whar' thurgh ye cite was gretely greved, sclandered, and yai harmed.

And her' apon ye sayd John Lyllyng was examynd befor' John Aldestanemore Mair', Richard Russell, William Bowes, John Moreton, Thomas Gar', Henry Preston, Thomas Bracebrygg, William Ormesheued, Piers Bukcy, aldermen, Guy Rouclif recordour, John Bromflet, William Grillyngton, shirrefs, John Hewik, Thomas Doncastre, Thomas More, Thomas Snawdon, Robert Yarom, Th. Davy, Thomas Aton, Thomas Kyrkham, William Bedale, William Gaytesheued, John Gascoigne, William Craven, Richard Louthe of ye xxiiij^{or}, ye last day of Juyll, in ye yer' of ye kyng beforsayde, bathe of fals osmundes makyng and utteryng, & castyng of fals tyn menged with lede and pewer', and sellyng of yt deceyvabely for gude tyn to girdelers and to bellemakers and other persons, and to yis

poyntes John Lyllyng sayd yat he bad John Holgate mersshall make hym ploghstrakes of drosse and landyren yat he sent hym and na osmundes, and yat John Holgate, beyng thar' present befor ye sayd Mair' and Counsell in presence of John Lyllyng, swor' apon a buke and sayd yat John Lyllyng bad hym yat he suld make hym osmundes of ye drosse and landyren yat he sent hym and na plughstrakes, and delyvered hym a osmund to make yam aft', and the same John Holgate sayd yat ye same day he was arested John Lyllyng come unto hym and promped hym, and bad hym say yat he cutt hym bot a hundreth of landyren yat he sent hym, and bot yf he sayd so he myght na langer abyde in ye sayd citee, and yat this was trew ye sayd John Holgate proferd to prove yt wyth hys handes apon John Lyllyng, yf he wald agaynesay this. And so John Lyllyng, seand yat he myght na langer be ryght deny nor defend this mater na langer, he knawleged and graunted his trespas of forgeyng and utteryng of fals osmunds and castyng of fals tyn, in deceyvyng and harmyng of ye kynge's people, and singuler lucre to hym self, and ryght grete sclander to ye said cite, lyked als yt is reherced befor; and in hegh and lawe he submyt hym to ye grace and awarde of ye Mayr and Counsell of ye chambre how yai wald ordayne hym to do for all his trespas reherced abouen; And so ye Mayr and ye Counsell of ye chambre, consideryng ye law submission of ye sayd John Lyllyng, yat tha tuke hym to yair grace in all poyntes yat pertiend to yair power and auctoryte, and yarfor John Lyllyng prayed ye Mayr and ye Consell yat yai wald hafe hym fro open shame and velany, and restor hym to hys franchise of ye cite, and asked what yai wald aske hym yar for; and yt was answerd by yat yai wald aske hym no peny. And yan John Lyllyng tuke avysement, and of his free and propre will he prayed yam yat yai wald vouchesaufe to restor hym to hys fredom of ye cite, and take of hym yarfor c li. to ye oeps and profet of ye co'alte of ye cite, and, if yt lyket yam to take yat of hym, he wald hald hym ryght wele content, and yat yai wald be gude lordes, maisters, and frendes to hym; and whar yai myght be custum of ye cite hafe brynte his fals chafer openly in syght of ye people, to his overe mykell shame and reprove, yai takyng tendyr hede to ye lawly

submission and his besy prayers, yai restor hym agayne to his franches for c li. yat he proferd, wyth yis yat yf any girdeler, or any oyer man compleynd of hym for any fals osmundes, or fals tyn, or any oyer fals marchandise, yat he had sald yam, yat he suld accord wyth yam and make yam amendes; and ye Mayr hyght hym yat yf he wald lait yam wytt to helpe to trete wyth yam to make end, yf any compleyned of hym: and ye same John Lyllyng was charged to send all ye fals osmundes and fals tyn yat was in his house at yat tyme in to ye chambre, and so he sent in ij barels of fals osmundes, and sythen was funden half a duzan fals tyn of ye same John Lyllyng in handes of ye shirrefs whilk are brogh into ye chambre.

Forthermar', ye sayd John Lyllyng was noysed yat he suld hafe blended plaster or lyme amang his alom, and so seld yt furth deceyvabilly to lytsters, and, in especial, to John Kyrkby and Robert Dowfe, lytsters of York, and so yai war' sent for and examynyd of yis mater; and John Kyrkby sayd yat he boght of John Lyllyng a porcion of alom, and fand yar' in lyke als yt had beyn plaster and lyme, and if he had wrogh yt in yat kynd yt suld hafe brynt oute his lede bothom, of ye whilk plaster and lyme a sample ys redy in ye chambre to shew.

And Robert Dowfe lytster sais yat he boght of John Lyllyng a c alom, and he syfted oute of yt half a bushell of plaster and lyme and kest yt away for yt wald hafe brynt his lede and he had wroght yt.

And also yar ar in ye chambre xxxiij girdils harnassed as fals tyne, agains ye ordenance of ye Girdelers, ye whilk tyn was boght of John Lyllyng for clene tyn a gude als ys rehersid befor'; and when John Lyllyng was examynid and blamed for yat fals tyn, he answerd and sayd he boght yt of a man in London in ye same kynde, and yar' he was asked of what man of London he boght yt, he sayd he wist noght what his name was; and so he was counseld and biddyn noght to sclandyr in na maner bot say fully ye treuthe and let for na shame, and yan he submytt hym, als ys reherced abouen.

And after y^{t}, ye xij day of August, ye yer abouen sayde, John Aldestanemor' Mayr, Ric' Russell, John Moreton, Thomas Esyngwald, Th. Bracebryg, Piers Bukey, John Bolton, aldermen,

John Hewyt, Thomas Doncastre, Th. More, Robert Yarum, Thomas Aton, William Bedall, William Craven, John Dodington, of xxiiij, John Bronnflete and William Stillyngton shirrefs, and John Pygott man of law wythalden of ye counsell of ye chambre, war gedird to ye chambre, and yar att yat tyme come Maistre John Selow chanon residencier of ye kyrk of Yorke, Maistre John Carleton, Th. Haselay clerk of ye crown, and Robert Manfeld marsshall in ye kynge's hostell, and yar made grete instance and prayers to ye Mair and gude men to doo ease and favor to ye sayd John Lyllyng, at ye reverence of our soverane lady ye quene, and of ye archibisshopp of York, wham ye quene had spoken to first, and sythen writen unto for yat same mater, and als at ye reverence of ye Lord Beaumont, whilk had writen to Maister John Selowe to pray in his name for ease of ye sayd John Lyllyng, and yar' ye Mairr and ye gudemen abouen sayd gaf yam to answer yat yis mater touched all ye gude men of ye consell of ye chambre, and ye coïalte of yis cite, and many of ye consell of ye chambre at yat tyme war absent, with oute wham yai myght gif yam nane answer at yt tyme, and yar for yai wald gedir to gedir mare fully ye Counsell of ye citee, and gif yam an answer, and yat yai suld send upon Monday next folowyng certen gude men of ye chambre to Cawod, to common with ye archibisshop for yis mater, and be his consell and ye consell of ye citee yai suld so doo yat our soverrayn lady ye quene, and ye archibisshopp, and ye Lord Beaumont, and Haseley suld well understand, and for y^t^ yair praiers suld stand John Lyllyng to availl.

And yan, in ye Vigil of ye Assumpcion of our Lady, ye yer beforesayd, John Aldestonemor Mair, Richardus Russell, John Moreton, Thomas Gare, Thomas Esyngwalde, Thomas Bracebrig, Piers Bukcy, John Bolton, aldermen, Guy Rouclyf recordour, John Bromflete, William Gril[ing]ton shirrefs, John Hewyk, Thomas Doncastre, Thomas More, Gefferay Sauvage, Thomas Snaudon, Robert Yarum, John Loftehouse, John Gascoigne, Thomas Aton, William Craven, Th. Kyrkeham, John Louthe, John Warde, William Bedale, William Gaytesheued, Ric' Louth of ye numbre of xxiiij, Thomas Gare ye yonger, Richard Russell, Nicholas Usflete, chambirlanes, and Thomas

Ward, war assembled her' in the chambre, and yar Thomas Haseley, clerke of the crown, and Robert Manfeld, be fore sayd, made grete instance and prayers eftesones for ease of the sayd John Lyllyng, and yat mater was putt in respite to that tyme.

And yan, apon ye morn of ye feste of ye Assumpcion of oure Ladye next efter, yar' was gedyrde in ye chambre, John Aldestanemore Mayre, Richard Russell, William Bowes, John of Moreton, Thomas Gare, Henry Preston, Thomas Esyngwald, Thomas Bracebryg, Piers Bukcy, John Bolton, aldermen, John Pygot man of lawe, John Brounflete, William Grillyngton, shirrefs, John Hewyk, Thomas Doncastre, Thomas More, Geffray Sauvage, Thomas Snaudon, Robert Yarum, John Gascoigne, William Craven, Thomas Aton, Thomas Kyrkeham, William Bedale, William Gaytesheued, John Warde, Richard Louth, of the numbre of xxiiij, and yar befor yam come ye beforsayd John Lyllyng, and in yar presence and Haseley's the clerke of the croun and Robert Manfeld, cosyn to ye same John Lyllyng, he knawleged and, witht oute distresse or fere done to hym in worde or in dede, he wilfully and openly confessed yat he was gylty and coulpabyll of all ye trespasse abouen sayd yat he was impeched of befor, and for yas trespasse he besoght ye Maire and ye gude men of ease of his paymentȝ, and yar [and] yan he was asked yf he couth or wald say or compleyne yat the Mair and ye Counsell of the chambre had done hym any wrong in yis matiers, and he sayd nay, nor yat he couth noght, nor wald noght say yat ye Mair and ye Consell of the chambre had done hym any manere of wrang in yis matiere, bot y^{t} he is wele paied of all yat yai had done; and so ye sayd John Lyllyng was voided; and yan Thomas Haseley and Robert Manfeld made grete prayers for lessenyng of ye sumes of ye paymentȝ of ye sayd John Lyllyng. And her apon avyce taken, yt was gifen yam for answer at yat tyme yat ye Mair and ye gude men sulde send certeyn men of ye chambre to the archibisshopp vnto Cawod on Monday yan nexte commyng to commone with hym in yis mater, and take his consell and avys yar in; and, after yat, yai suld so doo yat the parties yat melled for John Lyllyng suld hald yam plesed. And her apon yai chesed Richard Russell, Thomas Bracebryg, aldermen, Gui Rouclyff, recordour, William

Craven, Thomas Aton, to wend to Cawod for yat cause to commone w^t^ ye archibisshopp on Monday yan next folowyng; and in ye mene tyme ye Mair and ye gude men war enfourmed yat yat Monday ye archibisshopp myght noght be at Cawod for other occupacions yat he had to doo utteward, and yerfor he assigned yam ye Wednesday next after to be befor hym at Cawod. At the whylk Wednesday Richard Russell and oyer persones next befor nevend, yay war at Cawod for yis mater, and yai war thar honorabely receyved be the archibisshopp, and commond wyth him of ye maters abouen sayd; apon whylk commonyng, when yai come hame, was done afterwarde als her fast folowys.

The xxj day of August, ye yer of the kyng befor sayd fifte, John Aldestanemor Maire, Richard Russell, William Bowes, John of Moreton, Henry Preston, Thomas Esyngewald, Thomas Bracebryg, Piers Bukey, John of Bolton, aldermen, Guy Rouclyf recordour, John Brounflete, William Grillyngton, shirrefs, John Hewyk, Thomas Mor, John Waghen, Robert Yarum, John Gascoigne, William Craven, Thomas Aton, Thomas Kyrkeham, William Bedale, William Gaytesheued, John Warde, of the xxiiij, war assembled her in the chambre of Counsell, whar ye sayd Richard Russell, Thomas Bracebryg, Guy Rouclif, William Craven and Thomas Aton declared yar commyng to Cawod, and ye fourme of yar commyng yar wyth to the archebisshopp, and of yar departyng fra hym. And apon yis declaracion made, ye Consell of ye chambre tuke yar avyse what yam semed and lykyd best to do in yis mater, and yar ye Mair and ye Consell tenderli considred ye lettres and prayers of our soveran lady ye quene, whilk sho had sent to ye archebisshopp for John Lyllyng, and ye bysy prayers of ye archebisshopp, als of Haseley and Robert Manfeld, yai assented yat ane obligacion of ye said John Lyllyng and of John Gascon of xl marc, whylke suld hafe ben payed at ye fest of Seint Hillare next commyng, and also an obligacyon of a statute merchant of fyfe hundreth mark, in ye whilk ye forsayd John Lyllyng was bundon to Richard Russell, William Bowes and to oyer, to be payed at ye fest of Michelmes yan next folowyng, and a defesance made yer apon yat ye sayd John Lyllyng fra yan furth suld be of gude governaunce and trew in all hys bying

and hys sellyng wyth outen any gylory, fraude, or deceyt, als falleȝ a trew merchaunt to doo and by and sell after treu cource of merchantdyse, suld be delyverd to Haseley and Robert Manfelde, and so John Lyllyng be quyt of yam. And her apon even furth wyth yais ij obligacions and ye defesance was taken and delyverd to Haseley and Robert Manfeld and cancelled, and yai thanked ye Mayr and all ye gudemen hertly for y^{t} yay had done be reverence of ye quene's prayers and ye archibisshopp, and yairs, and behight sothely yat yai suld make relacion to ye quene, and yai suld wele see and knawe yat ye quene sulde thanke yam yerfor in tyme comyng. And her apon John of Bolton, alderman, at his first commyng fra ye parlement, delyvered a lettre fra ye quene to ye Mair, in ye whilk lettre sho thanked ye Mair and all ye gudemen of yis citee of ease and favour yai had shewed at the reverence of hir prayer to John Lyllyng, mercer of York, etc.

'Vnto his wirshipfull Mair, and ye Aldermen, and all ye wirshipfull Counsell of ye cite of York shewes, if it lyke vn to youre wirshipfull and wyse discrecion, your concitezin, John Lyllyng, yat it was never my wyll forto offend ne forto attempte any thyng yat langeȝ to yis wirshipfull cite; and, wirshipfull sires, what at has bene done or sayd touchyng my person it is noght vn knawen vnto you, bot I put na defaute in nane yat langes to yis wirshipfull citee, ne noght wyll, bot neveryeles ye charge is to me full hevy and grevous forto ber yat is put vnto me, after ye grete losses yat I have had and sustened be diverses ways, als it is wele knawen to diverses gude men of yis cite; whafore I pray you and besekes you for the grete mercie of God, yat yhe will deme yis matier after gude conscience, and as yhe trow yat God wyll yerof be most plesed, for I am hee that wyll noght offend your wyll, ne your ordinance, nor na nother suyte make be fully forto be demed be you in hegh and in laghe; besekyng you alway wyth al my hert to be gude maisters and frendes to me, and gif me your gude worde and to graunt me your gude hertes for the werke of the haly charite. In ye witnes of ye whilk thynge, to yis byll I have put to my seal; writen ye last day of January, in ye yer of ye reigne of Kyng Henri sext after ye conquest of Ingland sext'

II. VERDICTS OF THE SEARCHERS CALLED IN TO DECIDE ABOUT ENCROACHMENTS, ETC., IN THE CITY OF YORK.

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Judicium Scrutatorum de terris et tenementis domus Sancti Leonardi, et Roberti Feriby, ex opposito cimiterii Omnium Sanctorum super Pavimentum, ex parte boriali.

For als mykill als we John Ampilford, John Thorp, masons, William Cunsby and John Mosse, wryghts, sercheours of our craftes wyth in the franchise of York, fyndes that a party of the ferrest post of Robert of Feriby standys on Seint Leonard grunde, and that thar ys a cruke of Robert Feriby grund, fra the prive un to the streteward, and a nother cruke of Seint Leonard's fra abouen the myddilpost un to the thrid post, tharfor we award that fra the sole end of the frunt before in to the streteward, un to the third post on the base stane of Robert of Feriby, be drawen a lyne just, and set just Seint Leonard grunde, after that betwix party and party.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 173.] Mar., 1417.

John Ampilford, John Thorp, masons, William Cunsby and John Mosse, wryghts, sercheours of masons and wryghts in the citee of York, chosen be the assent of partys for to dissevir a grounde of a tenement anent Al Halow Kyrk garth wall on the Pament, betwix the Dene and the Chapitre of the Kyrk of York of the ta party, and the Maistre and the Freres of the Hospitale of Seynt Leonard's of York on the other party, demys that a lyne be drawen fra the fore poste before fra the oute syde of the poste before to the oute syde of the poste behynd of Seynt Leonard's in to thair garthwarde, and set Seynt Leonard wall apon thair awen ground, fra post to post, for we fynde well that the mynster beres the ta syde of Seynt Leonard flore. And we demys that the stane that ys taken doun be departyd in twa, and gyf half un to the ta party and the other half un to other party.

John Ampilford, John of Thorp, William Cunsby, and John Mosse, sercheours of the masons and the wryghtes, chosen be the assent of partys to dyssever ground bitwix the Maister and the Freres of the Hospitall of Seynt Leonard's of York of a party, and Sir John Esyngwald, preste of the chauntery of Seynt Nicholas in the parysh kyrk of Seynt Trinite in Gothromgate, of the other party, awardes and demys that the postys of the alde house of Seynt Leonard's be set in be tham of Seynt Leonard's, so that a lyne may be layde to the oute syde of the poste of the newe howse of Sir John Esyngwald, and drawen lyne ryght un to the poste of the kylne howse of the same Sir John of hys tenement in Gothromgate.

John Ampilford, John of Thorp, William Cunsby, and John Mosse, serchours of the masons and wryghtes, chosen to dissever grounde in Peseholm betwix Sir Robert Irton, prest of a chauntery in Seint Savourkirk, and Thomas Duffeld, sonne and ayre un to Richard Duffeld Esquier, demys that the hedge fra the corner of the foresayd Sir Robert house un to Fosse syde be Thomas Duffeld, als the stakes are dryfen; and that Thomas Duffeld hafe sextene yerdys over thwart of the garthe fra the wall of Sir John Darthington, person of the chauntery of Seynt Mary Magdalayn in the mynster of York, un to the netherest stake safe ane; and that the foresayd Sir Robert hafe fra the same stake fyfe yerdys of garth, over thwart un tyll hys awen hedge, that standys on the weste syde.

Sept. 22, 1417. We, sercheours of the masons and wryghtes of the cite of York, demys that John Hesill sall ga lyne right fra the bak syde of hys post that standys in hys hall hend un to hys sole in hys house that he byggys. And that John of Langton sall set in hys poste fote that Hesyll may hafe rowme thar to lay hys sole, and rayse hys house in North strete.—[*Id.* 177*b*.]

Fest. S. Maurice, 6th Hen. V.

Oct. 9, 1417. We, serchours of the masons and the wrightes, demys, for ease

of bathe partyes, to take that stuffe of the gutters of lede that thar ys for the ta party the tane hafe, and for the othere party the other half, and that the water be ledde downe of thair bather coste, fra the thrid poste of the house of Dame Alice Plumpton fra the waterward of Use, be a pype of lede closed wyth a loker, and that for cause that John Talkan walles the forsayd Alice all endelang thurgh and thurgh.—[*Id.* 178*a*.]

Fest. S. Dennis, 6th Hen. V.

We, serchours of the masons and wryghts of the cite of York, awarde that Thomas Bernard gutter of hys costage betwix his tenement that William Garnet dwellys in, endelyng fra the newe poste of Durant chauntery in Crouce kirk, als ferre als that newe house of that chauntery lastys, and bryng of his coste the watergate overthwarte at the ende of the same newe house, so that the water comme downe in a pipe of lede by the alde poste that standys by the walle of John of Moreton; and that the same Thomas Bernard hafe all the alde stuffe of lede that lay thare before, endelang and overthwart, and y^{t} the foresayd Thomas walle hys awen house behynd the dese of the hall of the foresayd chauntery for als mykill that the chauntery gutters lyin thare. And also yat the foresayd Thomas make hys pryve fensilble als it awe to be.—[*Id.* 178*b*.]

We, sercheours of the masons and the wryghtes of the citte of York, at the assignement of the Mair, awarde and deme that John of Langton hafe even uppe thurgh oute als mykyll ground in breide als he hafes in the frount before at his tenement in the parysh of Seint Laurence wyth oute Walmegate barr in the suburbes of York, that ys in the holdyng of Robert Duffeld, cordewaner, als that tenement and the gardyn lyse thare betwix the grounde of Sir William Ottelay, the maistre of the Trinites' at Fossebryg hende on the a syde, and the grounde of Nicholas Northfolk on the other syde, and buttes apon the kynge's strete of Walmegate before, and on the north felde behynd.—[*Id.* 181*a*.] 11 Feb., 1419.

11 Feb, 6th Hen. V.

Feb., 1419. For als mykill als Maister Thomas Haxey, Tresorer of the Cathedrale Kirk of Seint Peter of York, and other Chanons of the same kirk compleyned un to the Meir and un to the gude men of the cite of York that the kynge's dyke betwix Bouthumbarr and Munkbarr was so stopped, that the water myght noght hafe issue, for the whilk defaute a close of the erchebisshope was drowned yerly, and also, diverse tymes, thaire gardyns in the self manere, and also thaire halles and thaire houses of office of som of tham; and than, be the assent of the Meir and the chanons and the gude men thay went bathe the partys to gyder to se the defautes, and when thay had seen the defautes, it was accorded and assented be bathe the partys that the sercheours of the masons and of the wryghtes of this cite of York suld ga and see what were ryght for ayther party; and, apon thys, the sercheours was warned that they suld ga serche and see and do ryght to ayther party, and that thay went and serched, and demed, and awarded that the Tresorer and the person of Seint John kyrk of Pyke gar remove thayre pryves that standys upon the kynge's dyke, and all other also that hafes any pryves standyng thare apon, betwene the barrys beforesayd; and that thay and all other gar clense of thaire costages all the foresayd pryves and rutes, wedys and erthe, that hafes ben casten thar out of thaire gardyns or thayre houses be any of thaire servants, the whilk lettys the water to hafe the ryght issue; and that all dores that opyns apon the dyke be closed, and all the bryggys taken away that na man hafe na entre un to the kynge's walles bot at bathe the endys; and that nane entir, neyther at the endys na ellys whare, to defoule the walles na the motes, bot thay that has taken tham to ferme, the whilke sall kytte the herbage that grewys apon the mote.—[*Id.* 181*a*.]

Ult. Feb. 6, Hen. V.

Judicium Johannis Ampilford, Johannis Thorp, Willelmi Cunnesby, et Johannis Mosse, scrutatorum cementariorum et carpentariorum Ebor., redditum xxj^mo die Maii anno regni regis Henrici Quinti septimo.

May 22, 1419. We awarde that a lyne be drawen lyneryght, thre inches wyth in the poste of John Brynnand, that standes to the strete-

ward, un to the myddys of William of Seleby poste, that standys at the ende of the werkhouse, and that twa postes of John Brynnand be set in of hys coste by Tyseday nexte, that ys fled once, so that William of Seleby may rayse up hys howe besyde hym, als custume and maner ys in the cite of York.—[*Id.* 182*b*.]

We sercheours of the masons and of the wryghts of the citee of York, awarde that William Acom wryght make of hys cost the wryght note of a gutter betwix the newe house of Robert Hovyngham in Boutham that William Acom made, and the hall; and y^{t} thare be a gutter made betwix the tenement of Seynt Mary abbay, and the forsayd house of Robert Hovyngham, of the abbay's coste and Robert Hovyngham, so y^{t} the water may rynne betwix the abbay grunde and Robert Hovyngham; and y^{t} Robert Hovyngham sall make, of hys propre coste, at the other ende of hys house, a knyttyng; and that the hedge of the este syde of Hovyngham house be Robert Hovyngham.—[*Id.* 184*b*.]

Sercheours of the masons and of the wryghtes awardes betwix William of Alne of the a perty, and the executors, heirs and assignes of William Pountfreyt, of the other party, that for als mykyll that William of Alne in hys tenement in Coppergate in York walles even uppe thurgh fra the grunde uppe to the panne, that yerfore the executors, heirs, and the assignes of William Pountfreyt make the gutter of lede fra the newe house of William of Alne, that ys nowe hys buttre, endelang downe un to a newe house of William of Alne toward Fosse; and that William of Alne, of his costes, sall fynde the brygges, the scaches, nayles, and all the tymbre that sall ga un to the gutter; and the executors, heirs, or assignes of William Pountfreyt sall pay for the werkemanshippe of the gutter makyng; and thay sall hafe all the lede that ys thare nowe, and perfourmys the remenand of thayr costes, and fra thys tyme that gutter sall be the heirs and the assignes of William of Pountfreyt; and thay Nov. 18, 1420.

sall uppehalde it alleway of thayre coste; and also that at the hall head to the kyrkward the heirs and the assignes of William Pountfreyt, als farre als thayre syde house gas, sall bryng furthe, all of thayre coste, thayre water into the foresayd gutter, for William of Alne hafes a upperyghte gavell.—[*Id.* 189*a*.]

18 Nov., 1420.

Aug. 4, 1422. Johannes Ampilford mason, serchour, sworn of the masons wyth in the cite of York, John Hexham, Thomas Cunnysburgh serchours of the wryghtes, and William Cunnysby, wryght.

The assent of the partyes before the Maire to deme of certayne thynge under writyn, thay awarde and deme that the perclose that standys betwix the entre and the shop, and all other percloses, the pryve wyth the closet, and the selours, the trelys wyndowe at the somer hall, the glasse wyndows, the bynkes, the paved flore, the herth yt are in the house whare the wyfe of Symond of Stele dwellys in, and the falle wyndow to ye streteward abyde still wyth the place, als byggyngs and purtenance of the same place, and yat the lede pype and the shelfs be the wyfe's of Symond of Stele.—[*Id.* 192*b*.]

4 Aug., 8th Hen. V.

Aug. 12, 1420. Memorandum, that thys ys the award and the jugement of John Ampilford, John of Thorp, John Hexham, and Thomas Cunsburgh sercheours, sworne of the masons and of the wryghts, in the cite of York, assigned and lymyt by Thomas of Gare, Mayr of the same cite, wyth the full assent of bathe partyes, to serche and to deme of a stane walle that lyggys in lengthe fra the kynge's strete of Conyngstrete bifore downe thurgh un to the water of Ouse bihynd, betwix a tenement of Sir John of Langton Knyght in the haldyng of John Rumby, of the a party, and a tenement of William Selby, in the haldyng of John of Sutton lytster, of the other partye: that the walle of the werk-house of John of Sutton ys William Selby awen, fra the water of Ouse un to the post that standys thare and reches to the grounde anent the lede in the same werkhouse, and fra theyn all uppe

thurgh in to the strete, that William Selby hafe rowme and space abouen on the walle of stane to hys tenement ward to ryste hys tymbre apon, als he has done before tyme; and that Sir John Langton hafe rowme and space abouen the same stane walle to hys tenement ward to ryste hys tymbre apon, als it has bene in tymes before. And als farre als Sir John Langton has byggyd a newe house betwix the werkhouse beforesayd and the stane house toward the kynge's strete, yay awarde and deme that William Selby hafe abouen the same walle space to ryst hys walleplat apon, als he dyd before, als wele at the ta nende als at the other; and that hathe the stanewerk and tymberwerk that John Rumby had gart newe sette abouen the same stane walle at that hend towarde the stone house be taken away, so that yt lette noght William Selby to herber hys tymber apon the same walle; and that bathe the partyes make and uppehalde the gutter, als ferre als yt reches, of thayre bather costages, and that the stuffe of lede that ys thare nowe be ayther partyes. [*Id.* 192–3.]

12 Aug., 1420.

We, serchours of the masons and wryghtes of the cite of York, assigned be William Ormesheued, mayr of ye same cite, lyke als we hafe bene assigned, charged, and commaunded be other Maires to serche, deme, and dyssever ye grunde of Kalom hall in ye haldyng of John of Preston irenmangar fra ye grunde of Margaretes y^{t} was ye wyfe of Adam Hetche, and how y^{t} ye ta grunde sall be closed fra ye tother, awarde and deme y^{t} a lyne be drawn stryght fra ye corner of ye stathe of ye chauntery of Syr Thomas Pynchebek, un to ye nexte corner of ye stathe of ye common place, in ye haldyng of Ainderby sadler & Wyntryngham smyth; and y^{t} at ye middeward of yat lyne be set a stake, and fra y^{t} stake drawe a lyne even uppe un to an ald poste of a house at ye over ende of ye hedge of Mergaretes Hetche, and y^{t} yan John Preston close hym als y^{t} lyne delys fra ye ta nende un to ye tother.—[*Id.* 198.]

Jan. 31, 1442. 31 Jan. 20th Hen. VI.—M^{d} yat yis is jugementes & award of John Ampilford, John Bould, masons, John Bolron & William Warter, cappenters, & serchours of ye same craftes, yat is to say, yat ye stone wall bitwix ye tenement of John of Bolton, citizin & marchant of York, on y^{t} oon party, & tenement of yabbot & convent of Cristall, on yat other party, in Mikelgate in York is holy & fully ye wall of ye said John of Bolton, and yat al ye ease yat ye said Abbot has of ye said wall is thurgh sufferanse & paciens of ye same John of Bolton. And ye same day and ye same yere Alice Semer, neuly awner & possessor of said tenement of John of Bolton, swore & opinly affermed for treweth yat John Lofthouse, & other of ye deputȝ of ye said Abbot & convent w^{t}drewe ye said wall unknawinge to ye said Alice.

And ye same day, we, ye said serchours, were and serched a tenement of ye said John of Bolton in Petergate, in ye tenur of John Wetelay, & we fynd yat ye same place has taken mikel herm for defaut of a gutter, ye whilk shuld be betwix ye said place & tenement of Thomas Holme, ye whilk gutter ye same Thomas Holme shuld make & reparell, to save & isshewe ye wattere fro ye said place of John of Bolton.—[*Enrolment Book Civ. Ebor.* B. Y. 87.]

March 9, 1468. M^{d}, that we, Thomas Gaytclyff, John Gaycok, serchours of masounes within yis citee of York, John Forster, & John Meidlay alias Williamson, serchours of wryghtes w^{t}in ye saide citee, have bene & takyn of a grounde yat stode in variaunce bitwix thabbot & Convent of Rivaux, on that oon partie, & the Dene & Chapiter of ye cath' kyrke of Seint Peter in York, on that other partie, lying buttyng opon ye water in Laierthorp, in subarbes of the saide citee, buttyng opon ye water of Fosse at the weest ende, and on a lane y^{t} leedes from ye hie strete of Laierthorp unto ij closeȝ belangyng som tyme to ye personage of Seint Marye kyrke in Layrethorp, and, accordyng to ye custume of ye same citee, ye ix day of Marce, ye viij yere of ye reigne of Kyng Edwarde ye iiij, by ye comaundement of William Snawesill, yan beyng Mare of the same citee, and, after

ye examinacion, good advise, & grete deliberacion by us hadde, as wele by substanciall wrytyng undre sealez, as by ye instruccion & recorde of honest personnes, havyng perfite notice & knawlynge of ye saide grounde, we have demed yat ye tennauntes of ye said Abbotes & Convent have wrangwisly halden & occupies xviij poules feet of ye grounde of ye saide Deanez & Chapiter, the whiche xviij fote of ground we have demed & awarded shalbe departed from ye grounde of ye saide Abbot & Convent, and delivered & laide unto ye grounde of ye saide Deane & Chapiter, to have & to halde to yayme & to yare successours for evermore, etc.—[*Id.* 331*a*.]

Memorandum, that yis is ye awarde and juygement of William Hyndeley, John Sutton, John Haxby, ande Richard Bisshop, serchiours of ye masons and wrightes in the cite of Yorke, assigned ande lymytt by William Lambe, Maire of ye city of Yorke, with the full assente and consente of William Snawsell Aldreman of ye saide cite, for his partye, and Sr William Watson, vicare of Saynte Georg churche in Fisshergate, ruler ande gouvernor of a chaunterie belongyng to the saide churche, on y^t^ othir partie, to serche ande deme a gutter apon a tenement in Walmegate in Yorke, perteynyng to the saide chaunterie, and a pales perteynyng to a tenement of the saide William Snawsell, nowe in ye halding of one Robert Yereslay, at the este ende of Fosse brigge in Walmegate; firste, the saide iiij serchiours awardes ande demes betuyx the saide partiez, for thair bother ease, yat ye forsaide William Snawsell shall abide w^t^ the voydance of ye waterfall of ye forsaide gutter, and, in like forme, the saide vicare, as by right ande duete belongyng to ye saide chaunterie, shall bere the charge of ye uphaldinge ande makyng of ye forsaide pales at alle dayes, at his owen propre costes ande expensez.—[*Id.* 331*a*.]

The xxiij^tl^ day of the moneth of Octobr, in the xv^th^ yere of Kinge Edward the iiij^t^, William Hyndeley, John Shupton, masons, John Hirste ande Christofr More, carpentours, iiij serchiours Oct. 23, 1479.

w^t^in the saide cite, cam in thair propre personnes in the counsail chambre, afore the Maire aboun saide, ande there and thanne made thaire bodelye othe3 uppon the holy Evangelist truely forto serche the mete3 ande bounde3 of a certayn grounde of John Gillyot of Yorke, Aldreman and merchaunt, adjonyng upon ane oyere grounde of William Rakett th'elder, and Thomas Aslacby. Where apon and incontinent after, the said daye and yere, the forsaide serchiours, accordinge to the custume of the same cite, ande by th'assentes ande desiers aswele of the forsaid John Gillyott, as also of Sr Thomas Hambald, attorney of the forsaide3 William Rakett and Thomas Aslacby, yanne yere also presente in the saide counsaill chambre, yode unto the grounde of the saide John Gillyottes, lyynge at the baksyde of the saide John Gillyotte's tenement wherein he than dwelled, in Coppergate towardes the kinge's water of Fosse, in the parrishe of Alle Halowes upon the Pavement w^t^in the saide cite, betuyx a tenement in the haldyng of Henre Williamson on y^t^ one side, and a tenement of the saides William Rakett and Thomas Aslacby, late in the haldyng of Robert Amyas, on y^t^ oyere syde. Ande the same grounde y' and yan the same serchiours diligently serched and mesured by gode deliberacon; and incontinent, the same daye and yere, the saide serchiours, after thair serche so made, cam in the saide counsail chambre afore the saide Mayre, and y'e and thanne saide, in vertu of thair othe, that the saide grounde conteyneth in lengthe at the ovirsyde in breede, frome the tenement of the saide Henre Williamson unto the grounde of the saide3 William Rakett and Thomas Aslacby, vj yerdes ane ynche lakk, ande at the ney'e syde v yerdes, halfe yerde and halfe quarter, and more by ane halfe ynche as to thair estimacon, etc.

Memorandum, that ye saide3 day, yere, presence ande place, the forsaide John Gillyott promised for his partie that if the saide3 William Rakett ande Thomas Aslacby will at any tyme hereafter have a newe serche of the saide grounde, that yan he will beere his due parte of alle suche costes, as shall be requisite in that behalfe,* etc.—[*Enrolment Book, Civ. Ebor.*, B. Y. 145.]

Aug. 20, 16 Edw. IV. (1476).—John Burgh, William Stane-

* A few thorn letters are used in this document.

house, William Cole & Richerd Blakelok, seircheours of ye wrightes and tilers w^in^ ye citie of Yorke, ye same day above written, come to fore Thomas Wrangwish Maire & ye chamberleyns, in ye counsell chaumbre uppon Owse brigg, and award & jugement gaffe of a variaunce of a ground be twix John Gilyot Alderman of ye on partie, and Ambrose Preston of London chandeler of ye other partie. First yai deme a gutter yat ligge3 in lengh frome ye streit of Petirgate, be fore doun thrugh a tenement of ye said John Gilyot Alderman to ye Kynge's dyke be hynd of ye on partie, and a tenement of ye said Ambrose Preston of ye other partie, ye which said gutter and ye leid yer of, we ye said seirchours fyndes be our discrecions pertenyth evenly to ye forsaid John Gilyott & the said Ambrose, never ye lesse we consider ye greit cost and expences yat ye forsaid John Gilyot maid and done, we y'fore giffes and awardes yat ye said John Gilyott shall have ye said gutter all hole to hym selff, so yat he giffe to ye forsaid Ambrose, or to his depute, for cause of eassement in watter fallyng owt of ye forsaid gutter uppon ye ground of ye said Ambrose, iij s. iiij d. now furthwith, and never after yis to giff more to ye said Ambrose for ye said gutter, and els ye said John Gilyott to bere charge of ye watter commyng of ye said gutter.—[*House Book*, *Civ. Ebor.* i. 21.] Aug. 20, 1476.

M^d^, that the xv^th^ day of Decembre, the yere of r.r. Henre vij^th^ after ye conquest ye xvij^th^, by assent and consent of William White Alderman, on yat oon partie, and Ric' Thornton Alderman, on yt other partie, John Sclater and John Stevenson, sersours of the carpenters, Ric' Blakeloke and William Ellot sersours of the teilers, tofore ye right wurshipfull Sir, John Stokdale Maier of the citie of York, wer sworne upon the Holy Evangelistes trenly to viewe & serche two tenemente3, newly & of late maid & reparared by ye said Ric' Thornton on North strete & Mekilgate negh Ousebrygge end, adjoyng unto the tenemente3 of ye said William on ye said stretes; whiche sersours went unto ye same two tenemente3 & viewd theym, and after theyr othe3 by assent & consent of the said partie3 ordered in maner & forme ensuyg. That is to say, Dec. 15, 1501.

ather of theym shall have theyr esyng drop upon other at theyr tenementez in North stret, yat is to wit ye said Ric' Thornton for his kid helme upon ye tenement or ground of ye said William Whyte, and the said William for his long house opon ye tenement or ground of ye said Ric' Thornton. And William White grauntes yat a grece & a gutter, whiche ye said (Ric' Thornton) hath laid & festened unto a tenement of ye same William at Ouse brigge end, to stand & abid still as it nowe doth unto ye tyme yt the said William or his eyrez of newe bild or repayre his said tenement ther. And ye said Ric' Thornton grauntes yat the sparrez & tymbre of ye said William, which is shot & hyngeth over ye ground of ye same Ric' ther by viijth ynchez & more anenst ye pan of his house, shall hyng & abid still as it doth unto tyme yat ye said William or his eyres of new bild or repayr os his above-said; and then he to bild up right from his soile tre upward. And this ordour and award by assent & consent of ye said partiez was giffen by the same serchors tofore the Maier, Michell White, George Kyrk, William Neleson, Aldermen, the Chamberleyns, and other, diverse other honest persons beyng present wt the said Maier in ye Counseill Chambre opon Ouse brigge, the day & yere abovesaid.—[*House Book Civ. Ebor.* viii. 121.]

III. PRESENTMENTS OF THE JURIES AT THE COURTS OF THE ABBOT OF SELBY.

[*From the Originals at Londesbrough.*]

12 Edw. IV. 1472.—Jhesus. Thes er ye grefis yt xij men fendes defectyffe. In ye fyrste we say yt John Bellynghom maid afray of Jo . . . . . & grefesly hurt hem of parell of his dethe, ye bludwyt vj s. viij d., & ton halfe to ye kyrke warke, & ye toy . . . . ye lord. Item John Dawson maid afray of John Belyngham, ye mercyment iij s iiij d, the ton half to the k . . . . & ye toyere to ye lord. Item Ryc' Emson maid afray of John Broun & drue blod on hym, ye bludwyt vj s. viij d., ye ton halfe to ye kyrke, ye tother to ye lord. Item ye said Ryc' maid afray of a man of Fenton, ye fray iij s. iiij d., the ton

halfe to ye kyrke and oyere to ye lord. Item Ryc' Cornner maid afray of Herse Thorppe, ye fray, ether of tham, xij d. Item Roger, ye Merciallse man, maid asalt of strangher, & fraid ye neghboures, ye salt xx d. Item Ryc' Emson maid asalt of William Broune at his dore, & afrayd his neyghburs of Palmsondai, ye salt xx d. Item William Wallas maid asalt of John Balme at his dore, ye salt xx d. Item gyf yer be anny mane y^t^ has anny swyne, y^t^ will not set tham befor the hyrd, y^a^ sall forfyt for evere swyne iiij d. W Pallmms pro Domino, Johannes Eleson, Robertus Walker, Barnerde Lignkolne.

Also xij men has ordan & chosyn ij men of ather gatt for to gedyr ye swyn hyrd hyre3 w^t^ the constabylle William Baker & Robert Stylyngton, . . Gower, John Rowghte, & Robert Wrthe, for Mekylgate.

M^d^ y^t^ yes er ye Artecles y^t^ . . . . ye whest fendes yam greweid. In ye fyrste we say y^t^ ye bruher y^t^ bruhis to sell, sall sell w^t^ in his hus j galon all for ij d., & j quart for j halpeny, be a mesur seald, & j . . j d. ob. forthe at dore; & also in casse be y^t^ y^t^ y^a^ sall not deny no por man nor woman penyworthe ner halpeny-worthe, galon nor halfe galon, when y^t^ y^a^ com tharfor for yar monny, & it may be prowyd, & schoy have abown xij galons w^t^ in hyss hows, opan of forfetynge iij s. iiij d. as oft as shoy his fone defectyffe. Item we desyer a remedy of owr buschers for sellynge of thar flech, for we thynke y^t^ y^a^ sell un to pepyll der fleche y^t^ ye pore pepyll gruchis gretly thar wyt, whar for we desyer, be awyse of my Lord & the Stuerd, for to have a serche wekly of the buschers, & se y^t^ y^a^ sell a resonabyll pennyworth after he byes so. Item, for owr fechers, elykwys, y^t^ y^a^ sell noy feche w^t^ owt y^t^ it be abyld be fyche offesers as sall be asegnid be Lord & Stuerd, & at ye fecher be sworne what y^t^ it coste at see, & he for to have a competent wennynge; & y^t^ no man cute hys feche bot y^t^ at be serched be ye debetes y^t^ ar ordane for sersynge. Item we say y^t^ yer have boght of late in ye markyge unsesanabyll wetyl, y^t^ is to say, feche & herrynge, bothe Thom Smythe & John Clyffe; we amersy the ather of tham xij d.; &, yf thay brynge anny more fyche chafer, y^a^ for to forfyte thar feche. Item we d(es)yer y^t^ no bakster y^t^ has to by to sell, by no corne in ye markythe

to a xj be strekenge to ye comyne pepyll be servid, opane of vj s. viij d., y^t^ to be forfyt, ye ton halfe to ye Lord, ye toher half to ye kyrkwarke. Item gyffe anny man that comhis to ye markythe w^t^ anny corne sall not set it up fro markyth day to markyde day, bot yf it cane be prewyd y^t^ he his bed no selver tharfor, bot y^t^ he sell it as markythe gos, & that ye markythe of corne be endyd be xij of da, opan of forfetyng of his corne. Item we say that Rychard Atkynson maid afray of the constabyll, ye mercyment iiij d. Item we say that John Kokher (mercyment xij d.) maid afray of John Barton.

June, 14th Edw. IV. 1472.—First the constables present that William Couper (iiij d.) made affray uppon Thomas Kirkhous and hym stroke w^t^ a staff, anno xiij. Item Patryk (xx d.) & James Glover, glover, (xx d.) made affray the same, and outhir drewe blode of othir, and rescued the constables. . . . Item Thomas (ij d.), servaunt of John Eleson, made affray uppon Stryngersen, when he made the kynge's wach. Item John Shepherd (ij d.) made affray uppon Th. Michell (ij d.) & stroke hym with his bowe in the felde. Item Gerard Melton (xij d.) made affray, & stroke a straunger w^t^ a wodknyfe & drewe blode. Item John Kyng (vj d.) made affray uppon the goldsmyth (vj d.) of Selby.

xxj men sworn for the lord and tenantȝ say uppon thair othe that Thomas Dransfeld is a theef and has knowelach felony, and now liffeȝ as a vacabond. Item that one Patryk, dwellyng in Midelthorp, is a vacabound, and hath no craft used then lyvelode to lyff uppon, agayns the forme of lawe liffyng, and called avowtrer w^t^ othir men wyfeȝ. Item that John Bek is a vacabound and gos about w^t^ a lettre testimoniall, beggyng to beseke you to see his writtyng, and that he may be warned to be of gode governance. Item Laurence of Lawe is a vacabound, and uses no craft to lyf by, bot lyffeȝ suspeciouslye agayns lawe of this land. Item that Stephen Taillour, dwellyng in Midelthorp, is a vacabond, y^r^ fore by caus he hath dwellyng bot of short tyme in the towne, it is necessary to charge hym to be of gode reule. Item that William, servaunt of Herry Couper, is a ryotter on nyghtes, sittyng up at

uncovable tyme, and that he drawes to his felyship Thomas Folyfote, John Arott thelder, & John Arott yonger, which be not well disposed. Item that John Hode is a vacabound, and usith to go w^t^ the Marchalsy, and in a place that he come to he cutt asmych bacon out of a flyk as was worth iij d., unlawefully. Item that William Broun of the Marchalsye uses unlawefull playes by nyghtez, and syttes up at uncovable tyme. Item that John More, tenaunt to Robert Mascald in Midelthorp, is a receptour of suspect persones, commyng by nyght and goyng by nyght, and liffes as a vacabound. Item that Robert Coureenay receptes mysgoverned persones and suspect of felony, by nyghtes, if he do so from hensforward, to forfet a payne of xl s. Item that Robert Broun of the Cowe layne receptes Scottes and othir suspect peple, we payne to lefe that reule in payne of xl d. Item that Roger of the Marchalsye, servaunt to William Broun, is a suspect persone, and we desire to have hym out of the towne. Item we desire that ye will commaund John Donkan to be well rewlyd. Item that John Coke fyssher suffers me(n) to play in his hous at the tablez for mony by nyghtez. Item that oone panyermaker houses & harbers suspect persones in his hous, and liffes as a vacabond. Item Hobson of Goldall & Heryson of the same er forstallers of samen comyng toward the markett in Selby; we will that thay lefe; and, if thay be founden gilty herafter, outhir of thame to lese vj s. viij d. Item that no man bot officers bers unlawefull wepyn to the kirk then in the market in payne of xij d. Item we ordeyn that all vacabondes, bifore writen, kepe gode reule in tyme to come, and, if any of thayme be founden gilty, to voide the toune of Selby by Michaelmes day next for to come in payne of xl s.

Oct., 12 Edw. IV. (1472).—Jhesus. Thes er ye fawtes y^t^ xij men fendes defectyve. In ye fyrste xij men says y^t^ the crosse in the markythe his defectyff & lyke to fall, & sas the Lord sall reperell be Passe day, in payn of the jeberde y^t^ may fall thar off. Item the Melne brige his defectyffe, & be longes to the Lord to reperall, & it be maid be ye forsaid day in pan of perell y^t^ may fall. Item the Cokreke bryge his defectyffe,

& be longes to the Lord to reperell, & it be maid be the said day. Item we fend y^{t} Ryc' Derreke his lepere, & his not abyll to felychep emange the pepell, wharfor we desyer y^{t} he be wodyd be Myrtynmes next comyng, opan of xl s. Item we say that thar sall no man geder non akcornes in the comone wod in pane of xvj d. as of as thay be prewed gederynge. Item we say that John Wryght of Faxflet has broken y^{s}, he was of Selby, be diveres tymes, for the whylke we amercy him x s. Item we say y^{t} John Scheperd selld unseuynabyll flech, for the welke we amecy him ij d. Item we say y^{t} William Broun of Merschalse met women at ye toun end wyt thar gess, & boght tham or thay com at the merketh, whar for we amercy hym iiij d. Item we say y^{t} John Byrd maid afray of Remenghyngton weffe & drwe blod on hym, & Remyngton drwe blud on hym, we amercy ather of tham xij d. Item we saie y^{t} William Walas & Ric' Thomson maid afray at kyrk dore & frayd paryschens, we amercy ather of tham iiij d. Item we say y^{t} Asschomae y^{t} dwelles next Schepman wyffe maid afray of John Wesmerland, we ameecy hym xij d. Item we say y^{t} John Rowthe maid afray of Robert Scheperd & John his son, we amercy hym iiij d., and Robert Scheperd iiij d. Item we say y^{t} Milles Wytton & Robert Sumerschals, smythe, maid afray, we amercy ather of tham vj d. Item we say y^{t} John Corner maid afray of William Bacon, we amercy hym xiiij d. Item we say y^{t} John Yonge & the correher maid afray, we amercy (a)ther of tham ij d. Item we say y^{t} John Chaine & fader maid afrae and druwe blud of ather of tham, iiij d. Item we say y^{t} John Dawson maid afray of William Resen, we amercy hym iiij d. Item we say y^{t} Roger Whallay & Ryc' of Backhowes maid afray, we amercy yam ij d. Item we say y^{t} Thomas Smythe maid afray of Cransfeld and drwe blud on hym, we mercy hym vj d.

Thys er ye defawtes y^{t} xij men fendes deffectyffe at the gret cowrtes at Mykelmes, ye yer of r. of kynge Edward iiij^{ti} xv. (1475).

In the fyrste we say that the Mylne bryge is defectyffe, &

lyke, bot it be amend son, y^{t} it wyll be gret hurt to the ton, whar for, bot it mendyd be Martynmes, we amarce it xl s. Item we say that Skokryke bryge is defectyffe, & lyke to be gret hurt to the kynge's pepyll, w^{t} out it be amendid, whar for, bot it be amendid be the said day, we amercy it xx s. Item we say that the fotman's cawse be for William Chawe dore is defectyffe, wharfor, bot it mendyd be the said day, we amercy it xij d. Item we say that the said William has incrossid afor his dor of the hy way, bot yff he lay it agane, we amercy hym xij d. Item we say that the hows y^{t} John Zonge dwells in of the busser rent, and the hows of Robert Raynald next by stoppes the watyr sew that the water may not hawe it reght corsse, whar for, bot it be mendid be Mertynmes, we amercy ather of tham iij s. iiij d. Item we ordeyne that the new sewes in Gouththorp eu' in defaut of Rauf Babthorp squyer, is defectyve, yerfore payne is that it be mendyd by Martynmes next in payne xij d.

Oct., 17th Edw. IV. (1477).—Item that Richard Fereby etc has barked ledyr unlawefully & sold it to the kynge's people wher by the lawe it is noght half barked.

We say y^{t} John Studherd (viij d.) maid afray of Wylliam Underwod (iiij d.) wryght, & John Studherd had his hed brokynge. Item William Panter (vj d.) maid afray of ij stranghis (ader of tham xij d.), & the panter had his hed brokyn. Item we say y^{t} Rychard Dyschforth & Robert Smythe, fecher, toke & selld j stranges man heirreng for iiij a penny, agans ordonans of the ton. Item we say y^{t} Ryc' Dychforthe (xl d.) & John Hodd made afray of one Barchand of Rekall, bocher, for brynghyng in of wetell for the welfare of comhons. Item if any man take to sell any oyer man fyssh in the merkett, and any man do the contrary, he to forfett vj s. viij d. Item that the purpressures come in this day xiiij day, to gyf thair presentment bilongyng to their office, in payne of vj s. viij d. Item that Thomas Berbour, after he was sworn, departed frome the Jury. Item William Bacon holdes ij dogges unlawefull, it is charged to kepe that one in band,

and put away the tother, in payne of xx s. Item that Richard Dysshford had in his shop fyssh by xiiij daes, to it stanke in so mykell it was caried to Ouse, yerfore, if he do any more, for to forfett vj s. viij d.

Thys is the wardytte of xxij men & the constabylls, the xix day of Aprill, the xix yer of r. of K. E. iiij^{ti} (1479).

In the fyrst, we fynd a gret defawt in the crosse in the merkythe place, that it is in pounte to fall, & lyke to doy gret hurt bot it be amendid. Item we fynd y^{t} Stewn Harlynge (ij s.) maid afray of Kyrlowe. Item we fynd y^{t} W. Harwod (xij d.) maid afraye of Robert Raner in the merkythe. Item we fynd y^{t} William Hadfeld (xl d.) maid afray of Robert Lyndsay & drewe blod of the same Lyndsay. Item we fynd y^{t} William Paynter maid afray of John Emson of Thorp, xx d., & blod drawn of the payntor, xx d. Item Robyn Belfeld (ij s.) maid afray of Bakon man, and of hym drewe blod.

1483.—Jhesus. Item we fend y^{t} Pereson has a servand y^{t} is yll dispossid of hyr handes, whar for we wyll y^{t} schoy be woydyd the ton be twix this & Sant George day, opon pane xx s. Item we fend y^{t} one Wrodyngton, a waykabound, is avell dyssposid man y^{t} dwelle her amang us, and has yl-dyssposid folkis comynge to hym, whar for we well y^{t} he be woydyd the ton be the said day, opan in prisonment. Item we fend y^{t} on Breyerton, talzer, has an ewell dyspossid woman to his wyff of hyr handes, and cutes corn in harwyste, & oyere thynges tak in the fyld, as eghes; we woll y^{t} schoy be woydyd ton be said day, opan of prisonment. Item we fend y^{t} Herre Warter has ylldysspossid cheldyr, & of brekynge of mens heghis, & takyng of kydes & oyer stuffe, whar for we amercy hym for ye defawt y^{t} his maid iiij d.; and yf it may be fonden doynge hurt agane, then we wyll y^{t} he forfit iij s. iiij d. Item we fend y^{t} John Herrot has avell dyssposid chylld of brekynge of heghis, war for we amercy hym for y^{t} y^{t} is don iiij d., &, yf y^{a} be fonden anny more in defawt, we amercy tham thar efter iij s. iiij d. Item we

fend y^t^ William Whalley has yll dispossid cheldyr of brekynge of heghis, wharfor we amercy hym for y^t^ y^t^ is done, iiij d., &, yf y^a^ be fonden anny mor in defawt, we amercy hym iij s. iiij d. . . . Item we fend y^t^ the crosse in the merkyth place is lyke to fall, and lyke, bott grace be, to myschef sume man, whar for we dysyer y^t^ it may be mendid or anny hurt fall. Item we fend y^t^ melners is not deligent to serve the Lorde's tennandes be for owte men, whar for we dyseyer the Lorde's offecer gyff warnynge to tham y^t^ it be mendid, and also y^t^ y^a^ take mesurabyll multure of men's corne, for ther is diverse men y^t^ complens of tham, wharfor we amercy tham nowe at this tym for defawt y^t^ is maid ij s., ande eftyr, & thay ar fonden defectyffe, to forfyt xx s. Item we well y^t^ yff it may be fonden be the offecer or be anny oyere man y^t^ anny bocher y^t^ slays flech kep anny ower Thorsday y^t^ was sclayn of Setterday afor, bot yf it be powderd, from May day to Makylmes day, to forfyt the flech, & xx^ti^d. to the Lord. Item we desyer y^t^ the offecers, y^t^ y^a^ make a dew serche wekly of the syss of bred & all, for pur pepell y^t^ lyffhis of the penny complens tham grettly y^t^ the sys is not kepid. Item we well y^t^ our butes in the Owt wod be maid be the tonchype of Selby, be maid be Wetsonday next comynge, opan of vj s. viij d. Item we fend a gret defawt y^t^ in Owsgat the ground gos away, and lyke in prosisse of tym, w^t^ owt y^t^ it be amendyd, is lyke to mescheffe all the gates of Owsgate, & all the howynge y^t^ bondys of the watter ; whar for we desyer y^t^ my Lord & his breyer lye ther hedes togeder, y^t^ ther may be fonden a remdy ther fore, ar it be wars. Item we desyer y^t^ my Lord and his breyer wald gyff us tymber, y^t^ we may mayke a comyne seghe, y^t^ the pepyll may be eassid, for the comyns gretly grughis ther wythe y^t^ ther is non as ther was wont to be. Item y^t^ evere mane clens his gutters againe the payment for uschuynge of the water for drownnynge of payment be Whetsonday, yen evere pec iiij d.

Apr., 16th Hen. VII. (1501).—Robertus Michall (viij d.) of the Cowleyne, berker, has sawed okes in the Northwoddes of my Lord Abbot of Selby by diverse tymes, and has levetakyn, and his ax has bene takyn frome hym, and will noo mend, and

if ye xii men will amercy hym accordyng to the trespas my Lord is content, and if ye will not, my said Lord will take a remyde as the lawe will, and, as oftyme as he is takyn, he shall forfet vj s. viij d. Item Collyng, the shomaker, (vj d.) has trespast is in the same forme. Item John Shepherd (ij d.) and John Ternour (viij d.) has felled hollynnes and okewod in the said Northwoddes, and ofest tymes as he is takyn he shall forfet xij d. Thomas Ternour, son of Richard Ternour, has pylled hollynnes in diverse places, and cutt esshwod by divers tymes, to the gret hurt of the said Lord, and, as oftymes as he makys any more fawtez he shall forfett vj s. viijd.

April, 18th Hen. VII. (1503).—Also the w^tin wrytten Jur' ar fully agreede, and be thadvyse of Thomas Elles esquier, deputie to Sir Thomas Darcy knyght, and also by James Duffeld, clerke of the courte, & William Hagthorpe, balyff of Selby, in the fourme ensuynge; that Johne Mitteley & his heires frome nowforthe shall wall up & make close sufficiently the utter west syde of his swynstye toward the tenement of John Goldall, so that no fylth, nor corrupion, or dunge, come nor discend from the same swynstye into the grounde of the said John Goldall, excepte y^t it be by sipynge, or casualtie, butt to lay the dunge, owder in the gate, or eles w^tin his owne grounde, so that yat it anoye not the same John Goldall, nor his heirz, nor the holders of the same tenemente; and the same John Miteley shall gar mayke a litill gutter w^tin his own grounde doune to the pale, benethe the same swynsty, and a grate w^tin ij fete of the same pale, so that the fylthe & juse that discendes & comez frome the sade stye maye go doune yoll way, & thrugh the pale, & so to the dame in the gutter toward the said John Goldall grounde. And as for rayne watter or oyer causett weetes when they com to go & discende, what way they will, of to grounde or of toyer. And for the eves droppes, and oyer easementes, for reparacionz, when neide requierethe, ayer of thame to have & take ease of oyer accordyng to olde neghburode & gude custome, w^t oute grugyng of ayer party after this courte; & her uppon, in the presens of all the hole inquest, & many oyer,

the said John Goldall & John Mitteley in the highe chirche of Selby war fully accordytt, & frendely ayer toke oyer be the handes.

21 Hen. VII. (1505 ?).—The answher of William Roper & Jhane his wyfe ayenste Robert Calthorne.

Be it knaweyn y^t^ Robert Cauthorne of Selby sent for Wylliam Ropper and hys wyff to cum to hym, and ev' they wald speyk w^t^ hym, for he is so sore takyng, and that tyme that he sente for hus was thys tym ij yer; and he schewyd hus that he had spokyn w^t^ John Cauthorn, dyssyryng hym to be hys sektur, and also me to be hys sekture to; and then he answerd me and sayd, 'Thys hys not the matter y^t^ I send for yow, for it is so y^t^ yowr wyff hays had hyll wordes for me, qwylk y^t^ I was never worde off; and, qwheyr y^t^ I can not restore hyr in to hyr gud naym agayn, I be seyk yow, latt me gyff hyr sum off my gudes.' And more over I askyd hym qwat gudes it schuld be, and then he schuyd un to me ande my wyff agayn y^t^ it schuld be hys wyff beltte and hyr beydes, excep the rynges and the jewelles y^t^ was att thaym, be syd his testament, and I gaff hym leyff to gyff my wyff thaym, and my wyff leyff to tak thaym, not off no condecion but frely gyffyn for ever mor, excep schew schuld not weyr thaym in Selby not hys lyff; and then he wald have gyffyn thaym un to hus at hevyn, and we wald not tak thaym y^t^ nyght; and then we sayd, and he walde be the saym man att morne as he hys at hevyn, we wald tayk thaym; and then at morne he sent for hus w^t^ hys maydyn, and my wyff went and fecchyd thaym, and he delyveryd thaym w^t^ his awn handes unto me wyff, frely gyffyn for ever more; and thys wyll we mak gud os trew kyrsyn folk schuld doo, and frely gyffyn, w^t^owt any codicion.

April, 10th Henry VIII. (1519).—The grett Inquest charges and commandes all wattersewers and the dyssendis yer off, off bothe sydys the town, be dykid and scoried be Withesonday, sub pœna, evere roode, ij d. Item y^t^ the mylners grounde my

Lord Abbott & his tennantez off Selby afore any owte folkes. Item that no veteller, nor other man, herber no begers nor vacabundys in thayr howsses. Item y^{t} the swyn be rynged be Saynt Elene day, excepe sewes w^{t} piges. Item y^{t} no man nor woman latt no manservauntes dysse nor carde in ther howsses at unconvenyaunte tym off the nyght. Item y^{t} noo wode kyeper take no swyn into the woddys for akecornes. Item y^{t} the buttys be mayde be Withesonday. Item that no man scaste no caryon in the newe layn, ne in no nother commen waye wher the kynge's pepill passes. Item that no man by no corn to the bell be gon aboght the town. Item y^{t} the botchers kype well and honestly thayr bowlels and blode. Item that no man nor woman ber no wood from no woddes of my Lordy's Abbott. Item that no man kype no mor curres in his hows butt oon. Item that the swyn be keped in thayr styes on the nyght. Item that no man caste no caryon in the dam. Item y^{t} no man fyshe nor fewle in the dam. Item y^{t} no man dry hempe in thayr howsses. Item that baxters make gude and able brede for manne's body after the price off the corn. Item that the brewsters sell a gallon of her best hale for j d. ob. the gallon. Item that the brewsters lett power people have a halpynworthe off hale for a halpyney. Item that the gutters be kyeped well & honestly. Item that fyshers off thys town of Selby lett my Lord Abbott and the inhabytors of Selby shuche fyshe as God sendys thaym. Item that all fenses, betwyc nyghtbur and nyghtbur, be mayd be Saynt Elene day. Item that the barkers barks well thayr ledder. Item that the shounemaker sewe well thayre shown. Item that the gloveres sew well thayr glovys. Item that Symond Ray de Braton take of his catell off our commen off Selby be Saynte Elene day. Item that no man or woman breke no heges, nor bere no wood, sub pœna xl s., as oftymes as thay er takyn. Item that no man kepe no hown, grewand, nor spanȝell for distowrbyng of my Lord game. Item that no man hawke nor hunte w^{t}in my Lorde's warraunte. Item all fennces buttyng on the kynge's strett be mayd be Saynt George day. Item that no man or woman dry no hempe in the dame, nor in the lendynges goynge to the dame. Item that James Smythe make his fence

betwyn hym & Nycoles Raghtton be Saynt Elene day. Item that no man lett no bitchis un salte go aboght in the town, but bynd thaym up. Item that no man nor woman reboke the whest. Item that no man nor woman lett thayr swyn com in the churche yerde.

MERCYMENTES.—Item a watter sewe off Ric' Shippyn, nott don, xij d. Item a watter sew off John Olyve, nott doon, viij d. Item Symond Ray de Braton, for ettynge the commen, xij d.

Item John Freman mayd affray of Thos Pynner, xl d. Item John Freeman, for takynge viij swyn to giste, xij d. Item Nycolson wyff, for sellynge ale for ij d. the gallon, ij s. Item Ric' Marshall wyff, y^{t} wold nott lett powr folkys have hale, iiij d. Item Hew Yeuan de Ricall, for sellyng messell porke, xx d. Item Pey de Cauwod, for sellynge messell porke, xx d.

Also yff itt plese my Lord off his Lordshipe and his Consell to lett us have owre closses for the space off iij yer, for the wele off the town, and the fennces, and for to have iiij . . . . to gether itt att Lammes, ij men in Gouthorpe & ij men in Mekylgate, Raunald Flemynge & John Peryshe for Gouthorpe, for Mekylgate Thomas Cowper & Thomas Strynger.

Item Herpam in the Newe layn to be the hirde for to keype the swyn. . . . Item William Toller & Christofer Gud for stellyng a jerkynge.

Oct., 25th Hen. VIII. (1533).—The grete Inquest chargith & commandith that no man shall sew an oyer at the coīen be . . . (common bench), except his det or trespas be xl s. or above. That no man, ne oyer person, caste eny carryon in the dam. That none frome hensfurth fyshe ne fewle in the dame, ne in the lordeship & liberties of Selby, ne hunt w^{t}oute licence of my Lorde Abbot of Selby. That none w^{t}in liberties of Selby kepe neyther hownde, spangell, ne grewend, frome hensfurth, except he may spende xl s. annuatim. That no man shall forstall, ne

reygrate eny vitelles, corne, or cattell, or fyshe. Item none herber eny vacaboundes frome hensfurth. That none brewster sell eny aile abowffe j d. ob. a gallon. Y^{t} every baxster maike goode brede & holesom for man's body, & sell acordyng as they by. That the cordewayners sew wele theire shewne. That none cordewaner by eny horse skynnes, ne occupie theyme. That all bochers kepe wele theire blode in bolles, & mussell theire dogges. Y^{t} no persone$\overline{3}$ shall kepe eny man servaunttes at eny unlawfull game$\overline{3}$ in theire howsen. Y^{t} the mylner gryndes the Lorde's tennentes affore owte men. That every man make his fens be twixt neghtbirs before Seynt Merteryn. That no man threte ne crake the Lorde's inquest. That no man put eny farcy horsses, & skabbed horsses, of the commen. That no man sells his corne, fyshe, ne oyer vittelles, before he com in to the merkyt, ne to sell it to the merkyt bell be rongen. That none esyng droppers watch men howsse$\overline{3}$. That every man ryng his swyne, except they kepe theyme of theire owne growinde, be fore Seynt Wylffride dey. That all maner of men make theire fense$\overline{3}$ abowndyng of the commen, as they wilbe served, & to pynd no mans cattell frome hensfurth. That no man cast eny dong, ne mouk uppon the chanell, or cawsy, from hensfurth. That no man shall bere ax, bill, or choppyngknyff, to the wod, ne closse$\overline{3}$, frome hensfurth. That no man, ne woman, shall bere eny wod w^{t}in the lordeship of Selby frome hensfurth. That a watter sewer in the New layne be made before Martynmes next. That no man shall rayte nowther hempe ne lyne. It is covenanted to John Chatterell, servauntt, that she shalnot chyde ne flyte w^{t} eny neghtbure$\overline{3}$ frome ensfurth, oppen ridyng of the jebit, or thew, aboute the towne. That all sewers w^{t}in the towne of Selby be skewred sufficiently be fore mens' dowres before the fest of Seynt Wylfride. That no man lay no brigges over the dam. That John Petty, Robert Strynger & Robert Doule, that they shall mosell their dogges.

Robert Pewe & Thomas Shyppyn, ayle taiesters for Gowthorp, Robert Doule, John Dobb, ayle taisters for Mykylgate.

IV. CERTIFICATES OF THE ENGLISH PARENTAGE AND BIRTH OF CERTAIN PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH BEING SCOTS.

[*From the York City Records.*]

1476. John Rychardson.

To all trewe Christen men to whome this present writyng shal com, Rycherd Salkeld sqwyer, Thomas Becham sqwyer, John Aglanby gentilman, John Whelpdale gentilman, Robert Tanyswod yoman, Edward Nycolson yoman, Roberte Graveson husbondman, and John Iveson husbondman, sendes gretyng well in oure Lorde Gode. That where as oon John Rychardson, berer of this, is noysed yat he shuld be a Scottes man and borne in Scotland, and for asmykell as it is medefull and meretory thynge to every Cristen man to bere wittnesse of the truthe, we notefie and declares to youre audience, that the forsaid John Richerdson is a trewe ligeman to the kynge of England, and getten and born in Crossby besyde Karlill, and the names of his godfaders John Warwyk gentilman and John Rycherdson of Crossby aforesaid yoman, and Elisabeth Tenyswod hys god moder. And thys wyll we recorde and bere wittenesse be thys lettre of record sealed with our seales, wyth other mo yf nede be. Made in the yere of our Lorde millesimo ccccclxxvj.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 343.]

To ye most worshipfull & ther especiall maister, John Tong, mair of ye cite of York.

1477. John Colyn.

Be it credebly certifide to y^{or} moost wirshipfull and honorabyll mastership, y^{t} whereas off late tym a man of ye citie of York, cald John Colyn, was notyd and diffamyd . . . iniquite, be veray malesse, y^{t} he shud be a Skotte & no Ynglysman, wherfor we, Maister Robert Symson deane of Darlyngton, Sir Robert Clerk preste, William Betel, Jamys Bland Richard Deman, William Zotson, W. Smart, Rob' Bay, W Merchall John Robynson . . . & John Symson declares hym on owr honeste & trewth, y^{t} ye said John was born at Cokyrton, &

cristynede in ye fount of y^{is} Derlyngton, and is a trew Ynglysman born both of fader & moder; y^{t} will we vereffy and mak good agan all maner of men y^{t} sais ye contrary; oblyssyng also our selve to y^{ev} in *cli*, yff ye contrary may be lawfully prevyd, be this owr writyng. Also we William Bettl, James Bland, Ric' Demen, William Zotson, in ye moost humbly wys thankes your mastership, y^{t} it wald plese y^{or} goodnes as to do as mych for our sakes as to shew ye sayd John y^{or} favour, for ye qwych we in tym comyng sall do y^{or} plesour and servyce yff it ly in owr power. And in record y^{t} this premisses be trew we to ye said have sett to owr sells. Yevyn at Darlyngton ye iij Sonday of Lentyn.—[*House Book, Civ. Ebor.* i. 62.]

1477. John Saunderson

M^{d} the xij^{e} day of Novembre, the xvij yere of Kyng Edward the iiij [came] into the counsel chaumbre of Ousebrig to fore John Tong maire of the cite of Yorke, Thomas Wranggwish, Robert Amyas aldermen, John Hag, William Letwyn chaumberleyns of the same cite, and other thare beyng present, on John Saunderson, of Yorke, fissher, and thar and then shewed howe that he of late ayanest right and gude consciens by the childern of wekydnes was wrongfully noysed, slaundered and defamed that he shold be a Scotissheman and born in Scotland; the saide John Saunnderson, willyng to subdieu and avoid the said noise and slaunder, and declare and prove hym self a trewe Englissheman, cam afore us in his propre person w^{t} other ful notable and discreit persones born w^{t}in the counties of Northumbreland, Westmerland & Cumberland, that is to say Herry Horseley gent, Robert Wivell, Sir Robert Cuttbert prest, Laurence Lelegrave yoman, William Spacy, Nicholas Hay, w^{t} othere, and there & then in & on the premisses dieulie sworn & examyned, said & confessed that they verelie knewe the said John Saunderson for a trew Englissheman, and at he was born in Cheswyk in Northumbreland, and son to John Saunderson of the same, husbond, and Alison the wiffe of the same John, his moder, and at William Saunderson, Robert Saunderson, and Elyn Saunderson war god faders and god moder unto the same John Saunderson fissher, etc.—[*House Book, Civ. Ebor.* i. 76.]

1478. Thomas Bakhus.

Unto all theis untill whome this presentes shal com, we, Sir John Banarsdall ye vicar of Morland, Roland Was, Thomas Fawlofeld, Thomas Saxeld, Thomas Appielby, William Fawlofeld squires, William Bakus, Robert Bakus, William Cuke, Robert Cuke, John Cuke, John Wenttire, William Abdison, Arthure Bethome, Thomas Reke, of the parrish of Morland, sendes gretyng in our Lorde & recommendaccin unto whome it semys. And for als mykell as it is meretorie and medfull thing anentes God in every case nedefull to witnesse treuth, and specialy where it is effectualy requirit, plese it you to wete that we er newe of late ryplie enformet by diverse credable persones, that on Thomas Bakhus, bringer of this presentes lettres, shold be wrongfully nosed and slaundered as for a Scottes man born, and also unrightwisly vexit & turbilled hym to grete hyndrance & scathe, als well in body as in gudeȝ, wherfore we afore writen make opynlie knowen, and trulie beris wittenesse before God and all the worlde, that the forsaid Thomas Bakhus is trewe lige man till our soverand lord ye kyng, and was borne of his modre & gettyn w^t^in the forsaid towne of Morland, and there was Cristyned at the funte stone, and his godfaders callid Thome Smyth, the whilke is yit of live, and Jellyne Disforthe, & is godmoder Annes Burbake, and therfore if eny will say or bere hym onhand the contrarie bot at he is a trewe lige Inglis man borne till our forsaid soveraynt lorde the kynge and at this forsaide recorde, at we have made in maner & forme afore writen, is veray truthe & suthefastnes, and that we will abide & stand yare by w^t^ our bodyes & gudes. In wittenes hereof we have setto our sealeȝ. Gevyn at Morland aforsaid, the xxij^ti^ day of the moneth of Septembre, the yere of ye regne of Kyng Edward the Fourte ye xviij^th^.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 326*a*.]

1479. Robert Elwald

Record pro Roberto Elwald conerour. For asmych as it is right meretorie as medeful to wittenesse ye trewth, be it knawen to all maner of men to whom this present writyng commys, that Robert Elwalde, ye son of John Elwalde, is a trewe Ynglish man, gottyn of his fadre aforsaid, and born of his modre w^t^in the paryssh of Saynt

John Baptist w^th^in Hexhamshire, whose godfadre was John Elwalde of the said parysh and John Robson of the Langlee, and Janet Elwalde godmodre, of Hakefurth w^th^in the said shire, and was Cristenyt in the founte of the said parich of Saynt John Baptist; Wherfore we, the Prior of Hexham, Sir Thomas Laveroke chaplan and parish prest of the said parich, & William Smyth parishclerke of the same, Thomlyn of Eryngton of Falefelde, Gerarde of Eryngton of Walwykgraunge, Alex Armstrang of Croslee, Thomlyn Armstrang of Bewfrount, Robert of Eryngton of Whittyngton, Robert of Chester gentilmen, William Soureby, Robert of Sourby, Richerd Sourby, John of Whitwhame, Alan Kell, John Denyug, John of Rede, John of Spayn, William Ferlame, John of Greme, and John of Copde in, besekes you by the way of charitie to repute and halde the said Robert Elwalde as for a trewe Ynglish man, as is afore rehersed, and as for the more trewe certificat to be made to you, we the forsaid Prior, gentilmen, and yomen afore rehersed hath setto our seales. Gevyn at Hexham, the xxvij^t^ day of August, the yere of the reigne of Kyng Edward the iiij^t^ the xix^th^.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 326*b*.]

1481. William Broun.

2 May 21, Edw. IV.—Item the same day, tofore all above-said, cam personalie Thomas Arcle, dwellyng in Elborth in ye paresh of Dodyngton, countie of Northumbreland, yoman, & Johnes Tailfere, servaunt to Sir Henry Percy Knyght, & yare shewid & said yat on William Broun of Yorke, litster, was a trewe Inglissheman, born in the town of Nesbet, in the parissh of Dodyngton, ande son to William Broun of the same Nesbet, and had to his godfaders Robert Colstone of Dodyngton & William Gudeneghbour of the same, & Isabel Clerk, the wiffe of John Clerke of Nesbet, his godmoder, and at the said William Broun was nather of alie ne of blode to eny Scotishman, and y^t^ he, w^t^ many others, if nede require it, is & welbe redy at all tymez to testefie ye same. And, more, the same day was broght tofore the said Maire and other abovewriten, by the right wirshupful Sr Thomas Danby, thes recordes testefying the premissez under diverse seales, etc.—[*House Book, Civ. Ebor.* ii. 25.]

1481. John Hans.

For als much as it is both nedeful, medful, & meritory to bere trewe wittenes & to recorde ye treuth of every thynge yat stondeth in doute, yerfore be it knawen to every trewe Christen man yat this present testimonial heris, seis, or redis, yat we, Sir William Eure knyght, Maister John Kelynge chaunceler of Durham, William Pollard esquire, John Stathom jentilman, William Belasys jentilman, James Tippyng forster of Aukeland parke, Cristofer Preston, William Nodder, Thomas Spence, William Blithman, Richard Morton, Richarde Cuke, Richarde Emendson, Jenkyn Batmanson, Thomas Porter, & Thomas Cotis beris witnes, & recordys opon our honestie, be dew examinacion & trewe enformacion, yt whar as John Hans, of the cete of Yorke, glover, is grevouslie vexid & trobilde, to his grete cost & expens, surmysing on hym yat he shold be a Sottys man born, wharfore we aforesaid, and ich on of us, recordes & beris wittenes, yat the said John Hans is an Inglischeman, & was born in Bishope Aukeland, & diverse honest men yat knewe both his fadir & moder, & had borogage in the same towne, & John Catrike, yit beyng on lieff, recordeth uppon his treuth yat Kateryn his wiffe was his godmoder, & Richerd Blithman, Adame Geme, & Sir Robert Kyngeswod prest was his godfaders. And for the more credence to be gevyn to this our writynges, we abovesaid, and ich on of us singulerly, hathe setto our seals. Gevyn at Bisshop Awkeland, the thirtend day of May.—[*Reg. Cic. Ebor.* A. Y. 351*a*.]

1481. John Mel rem.

For as mykell as it is meritable to bere wittenes & suthfast record in any cause whilke myght ben trouble, losyng of goodes, or good fame to any trewe Cristen man, in defawte of soothfast knowlage, therfore it is yat we, Sr Henry Percy, lieutenaunt of th'est Merches of England affornemptes Scotland, Sr Thomas Grey of Heton, Sr Roger Heron of Forde, Sr Thomas Grey of Horton, knyghtes, & William of Folbery of the same, berith witnes & suthfast record yat John Meldrem, dwelling in Yorke, is Englishman, gottyn by his fadir & born of his modir within ye reyme of England, his fadir dwelling in Folbery apon ye wattir of Tyll, olife callit William Meldrem, ye said John

Meldrem born in Northame apon Twede, & Cristned within ye founte of ye proche kirke of ye same; his two god fadres, on callit John Rootherford constable of ye castell of Northame olyf at the makyng of this writyng, ane othir callit Robert Maxwell, dwelling in ye castell of Morpath, his godmodir callit Annes Jacson, ye wife of Adam Jakson dwelling in Dudo, both olyfe; wherfor we the aforsaid knyghtes & swyer willith & preith every goode Englishman not to presume nor sey any thing contrery yis our writing, in so mikill if eny wold presume ye contrarie this our record; and witnes of the whilke3 to this our writyng we have set our signettes, havyng the strength of our selys, ye ix day of Septembre, the xxj yhere of ye reyne of Kyng Edward the iiij^{t}.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 352.]

1482. John Malson.

Unto all trewe Xpen people to whom this present writyng shall com, see, or heyre, gretyng in our Lorde God. And for as much as evill disposed people and childern of wekidnesse, thrugh malice and envy, by the temptacion of an evill sperit, falslie & untrewlie hath noysed & slaunderd a trewe Inglisshe-man, cald John Malson, of Yorke, girdler, yat he shold be a Scottisman born, which John Malson was gottyn & born betwix his fader & his moder, Richerd Malson & his wiffe, in the town of Langwathby, and Cristennyte in y^{t} same kirke, and had to godfaders John Mekyll of Penryth beyng of lyffe at yis day in Penreth, & John Walker of Langwathby, & ye wiffe of Wilkyn of Carleton y^{t} late discesyd was his god moder, and many ouer of the said John kyn and frendes at this day dwellyng w^{t}in the cunte of Cumbreland; and therfore, be caws y^{t} every trew Cristen man, by the way of charite, is bunden forto supporte & maynteyn ye trewth of every trewe Cristenman, and forto subdewe, repreve, & to put down all falssett and untrewit, tharfore we all whos namys eftyr folowes, that is to say Sr Christofer of Moresby knyght & stewerd of Penryth, & of all the whenys hamys, John of Crakanthorp of Holggull ryssavour of Penryth, & of the whennys hamys, Richerd Musgrave of Hertley Castell esquire, Johannet Musgrave of Edynhall wedowe, William Musgrave & Nicolas Musgrave esquires, Robert of Warcop of Warcop esquire,

John Warcop, John Maunchell, Robert Maunchell esquires, William Hoton of Penreth, Rolland Wharton, William Bethum & John Bost of Penreth gentilmen, John Watson, John Gryndon, John Symson, Richard Robynson, Henry Kirkbeke, Robert of Gyll of Penȝ & John Mekyll of Penry, & god faders of the same John Malson yemon, John of Carleton, Thomas Carlton, John of Wyndshalys, William Wyndshalys, Robert Walkar & John Walkar of Langwathby yemon, w^{t} many oder mo, will uphald, maynteyn apon our treuth & worshippys at ye said John Malson is a Inglissh born man, gyttyn & born as is abown said. In wittenesse of the same we have setto our sealles at Penrȝ, ye xxj day of Januar', & ye xxj yer of our soveran lorde Kyng Edward the fourth.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 352.]

1484. Alexander Ambler.

Too all maner of men this present writyng seyng or heryng, God graunte & gyff thaym joy and comforth. And for as mykel as it is meritorie, nedeful & spedeful to every man to pupples and declare in ilke mater the treuth, and specially there where trewth is liklie w^{t}owte recorde and wittenesse to be oppressid and set oparte froym the scewres of right, I, Sr Thomas Flesho^{r}, the vicar of Estwitton in the countie of Yorkshire, sayes and beris wittenesse of myn prestehode, also declareth opynlie for trewth yat I the sayd vicar in my kirk of Estwitton gaffe Confirmacion and Cristendom unto Alexaund' Annler w^{t} all other observaunce acordyng to the constitucion of all holy kirke, wittenesse of his godfaders, yat is to say Alexaund' Blakborne, Thomas Tesedale, Ric' Darley w^{t} all other neghbores, Alan Gaytterd, Will^{a}m Clapeham, Richerd Clapeham, William Teysdale, Willyam Bourell, and at every gude person will labur forto restore hym into his gude name and fame like as we trewlie and dulye woll afferme of o^{r} wirshippes, and all such defamers as wold distrue eny rightful man forto gar hym lese his godes w^{t} thare fals reportes to get thame a thanke w^{t}all, and it wer medeful to punyssh thaym in such fourme yat other fals flaterers may tak ensample w^{t}all. Written at Est Witten, on the Monday next after the fest of Saynt James the Appostell. —[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 351*a*.]

1484. Memorandum, that ye ij[d] day of Novembre, the secund yer of ye regne of Kyng Richard ye Thrid, yer came oon Richard Davis of ye citie of Yorke, glovere, into ye councell chaumbre upon Owse brig, afore Thomas Wrangwish, yen being Mair of ye said citee; and afore all ye councell of ye said citee yen being yere and yan, and yere shewed a forget testimonyall sormysing in ye same in ye names of diverse of ye honest men of Ripon, wher ye same testimonyall was forget, that oon Alisaundre Aunbler of ye said citie, glovere, shuld be a Skottish-man borne; the contrarie wherof was yen & yere proved true in ye presence of all ye said councell by an oyere testimonyall of auctoritee & credence by ye said Alisaundre labored and sued in ye tyme y[t] Mastre Amyas was Mair of yis said citee, as in ye regestre of ye said citie in ye last ende yer of, next ye ' Vynters, Ordynaunce more evidently it may apper.

Item on Fryday, ye iij[de] daye of Decembre, came oon Thomas Watson of yis same citie, tanner, & oon George Hill into ye same councell chambre, afore ye said Mair and ye chaumbrelayns, and yen and yere shewed and declared that thay, and eythre of theym, wer present and herde when William Thomson of Rypon, Rawlyn Cundall of ye same, John Cole of ye same, mercer, & John Watson of ye same, shomaker, said and swor yat thay ne noon of theim wer nevere prevey to ye sealing of ye forsaid forged and untrue testimonyall, shewed & labord by ye said Richard Davis, and y[t] thay and every theym wolbe redye on thair owne cost to come hedre & make it good upon a book.

Item Richard Thoneton of yis citie of Yorke, spicer, came ye same day & tyme and place afore ye said Mair, and shewed and pl(a)ynly declared y[t] he was present & herde when Robert of ye Wardrop of Ripon aforsaid said and swore y[t] he was nevere privey to ye sealing of ye forsaid forged, false testymonyall.

Item William Banes, baker, and Thomas Blande sayd in y[e] same place & presence yat ye said Richard Davis proferd eythre of theym a pair of gloves to say yat yay sawe y[e] said forget & untrue testimonyall sealed.

Item Thomas Wright of Thriske came into ye same place & presence and offerd to swer upon a booke y[t] ye forsaid

Alisaundre Aunbler is a true Inglishe man, borne in Estwitton, and y^t^ he welbe at all tymes redy to prove & make good eythre upon a book or els with his handes.

The x day of Decembre, in the yere abovesaid, before the said Mayre, in the said chambre, where and when personally appered John Gatescalles, Robert Wilkynson, John Hausse, John Downe, William Pert, John Kirkby, and Richard Watson.

Unto whome the said Thomas Wrangwish Maire, shewing first the testimoniall approbate of the said Alisaundre in the days of Robert Amyes Maire, and the above writyn declaracion concernyng the desetyng of a fals testimoniall, purchasid by the forsaid Ric' Davys, examined and demaunded of theme severally how they wold accept the said Alisaundre after the forsaid declaracion, which answerd and said, ichone of theme, that they wold accept hyme for a true Englisman as they did hertofore surmising none othere upon hyme herefter.—[*Reg.* A. Y. 354*a*.]

M^d^ that the Tuesday next tofore the fest of the Nativitie of Saint John Baptist, that is to say the xxj day of the moneth of Juyn, in the yeres of our Lord God a m^l^cccclxxxv, and the reigne of King Richard the Third secund, in the counsaill chambre upon Ouse brig w^t^in the citie of York, before the right worshipful Sir Nicholas Loncastre maire of the said citie, one Andrew Lambe of the same, baker, diffamed by certayn of his craft that he shuld be a Scot, borne in the realme of Scotland, appered personally, being present in the said chambre the moost part of his said craft, w^t^ othre in grete nombre assembled ther, where and when for his perfiter declaracion that he shuld be an Inglissh man, borne w^t^in the realme of England, he shewed unto the said Mayre certayne recordes of auctoritie, as foloweth herafter; which red, serched, and duly examined by hym in the presence of all his craft, chamberleyns and othre being present, and no thing probable object ayenst the same by the said craft, ne othir ther being present, the said Maire, after sad and mature examinacion of the said recordes in the presence forsaid, decreed and finally determyned that noo man of the said craft, 1485. Andrew Lambe.

ne othre w^th^in ye citie of York, suburbs, or precinctes of ye same, from hensfurth name or call the said Alexandre (*sic*) a Scot, or Scotteshman, under the payne of vj s. viij d., evere man so doing, and also that the said Alex' geve none occasion to any of his said craft to call hyme a Scot under the payne of forfaitour of vj s. viij d. to be equally employed to the chambre and the craft of bakers.

Copia literæ testimonialis domini Comitis Northumbriæ pro Andr' Lambe.

Henry Erle of Northumberland, lord of thonours of Cokirmouth and Petworth, Warden of the Est and Middel marches of England anenst Scotland, and Justice of all the Kinge's forestȝ from Trent north, to all men to whome this writing shalbe shewed, greting. For asmoch as my welbeloved Andrew Lambe, of the citie of York, baxster, by indisposed personnes onely of malice have, as I am enformed, troubled hyme, surmising hyme to be a Scottes man, I for a due prove in this behalve to be had have caused serch to be maid, whereby I am veralie accertayned that the said Andrew is the kyng our soverain lorde's true ligeman and subgiet, borne w^th^in this his realme of England, in the towne of Brenklowe, of the parissh of Pont Eland in the countie of Northumberland; wherfor, on the king our souverain lorde's behalve, I, the said Warden, charge you, and on myne desire, that noo maner of persone, of what degre or condicion he be, vex, trouble, or annoy the said Androw Lambe in persone ne in goodes, by reason of the said surmise, but quietely and peasably to have and rejose his fre libertie according onto our said souverain lorde's lawes, as ye woll eschewe the punycion than may ensue unto you, or any of you, for the contrary doing and os ye woll that I doo for you if thing require. Yeven undre my signet and my signe manuel, in my castell of Alnewik, the xviij^th^ day of Juyn, in the twenty yere of the reign of our souverain lord King Edward the Fourt.

J. Newton. HENRY NORTHUMBERLAND.

Copia litere testimonialis Abbatis de Alnewek et aliorum pro eodem Andrea.

Unto all good Christen people to whos knowlage thies present3 writing shalcome, Thomas Abbot of the monasterie of our Ladie of Alnewyk, John Herbotill recevour unto my Lord of Northumberland w'in the same cuntre, John Heron of Bokkenfeld gentilman, William Dokson, Th. Hedle, Thomas Stedeman of Morpath, Robert Dobson of Thriston, Edward Dobson of Felton, John Dobson, Robert Gibson of Acton, Thomas Hall, and John Bradelee of Anewik forsaid yoman sendes greting in our Lord everlasting. For asmoch as it is meritorie and medefull to witnesse and certifie the truthe in evere mater, and, in especiall, ther as it is meritorie and medefull may gender or cause prejudice, hurt, or hinderance unto the innocent, we, therfor, the forsaid Abbot, gentilmen, and yomen testifie, record, and bereth witnesse that Andrew Lambe of York, baxter, wonnyng in Ousegate, is an Inglish man, borne in the parish of Pont Eland in the towne of Brenklaw, where his moder decesed in child bed of the same Andrew, having too oone of his godfaders John of Kalom, to whome his fader was servaunt in the same Brenklaw, and oone othre, William Haton of Shetryn, and to his godmoder Eden of Peyth; wherfor we, as affore, exorte, pray, and require all good lordes, masters, and frendes not for to molest, vex, ne trouble the said Andrew in that behalve, bot to accept and admit, repute, and hold hyme as a good true Inglish man borne, at our record and testificacion. In witnesse wherof we the forsaid Abbot, gentilmen, and yomen have putto our sealles to this present writyng, writtyn the xiiij day of the moneth of Juyn, the xxj yere of the reigne of our souverain lord King Edward the iiij after the conquest of England.

Alia record pro eodem Andrea.

Be it knawne to all men that this present writing heres or sees, and in evere mater of truthe is meritorie and medefull to record the truthe, there as conc' Andrew Lambe is noysed in the citie of York by his neghbours, and specially by his adver-

saries, to be a Scotteshman borne; it is not soo, for the truth in the mater is serchid, understand, and fondon contrary, for the said Andrew was borne in the towne of Brenlay in Pont Eland parisshe, and Cristynd in Pont Eland kirk, as it is fon by men of age and substance in the parissh; wherfor the said Andrew, w^{t} othre worshipfull men of his frendes, hath required ye vicar of Pont Eland to record ye same w^{t} other diverse gentilmen and yomen, y^{t} is to say Sir Thomas Harbotill vicar of ye same kirk of Pont Eland, Alex Mitfurth gent, Ric' Cocour, Will Barnewell, John Gateshened, Thomas Andreson, William Watson, John Wynship yoman; wherfor we, forsaid rehersid, in witnesse settes to our sealles. Also ther was iij men of York her xiiij days affor, and desirid to understand if any sike man had any record lat tyme affor or noo, and we certified yem y^{t} ther was none y^{t} tyme requirid, and we certified yem at y' was required noone or now. Wharfor we forsaid vicar, gentilmen, and yomen settes to our sealles, the Sunday after ye Magdaleyne day, the yere and reigne of King Edward xx.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 327*b*.]

To the right honorable Sirs, the Maier, Aldermen, & Comon Counseil of the Citie of York.

Your awne Sir John Aske.

1486. John Harrington.

Right honorable Sirs, I commaund me unto you and thank you for the tender favour that ye have unto my kynseman, M. John Harington, the clerc of your Couneseil. And where I am informed that he at his late being w^{t} the Kinge's grace, understode, by his good lordes and maisters y', that he was reputid to be a Scot, which grew on the report of one Thomas Wharf of (your) citie, whome ye have examyned, and ferder entendith to examyne in that behalve, I desire you to have knawledge for truith that the saide M. John was borne in Estryngton besides Houeden, of his moder, a poore gentil-(wo)man, whose fader was to my fader, whome God assoile, at the third and third degre of consanguinitie, which I wold have comen and shewid unto you in propre person, if it had semed

to my saide kynseman that I shuld soo have done: and soo I wol at his pleasour hast. If this slaunderous report come to the eers of some yongmen of the blode that he is of, it woll grewe theyme, I doubt not, which I pray you desire the saide Thomas Wharfe to remembre. As for his fader, I trust he woll declare hyme unto you to be an Englishman and a poore gentilman borne, thof he never weir taken heir bot for a yoman, which he haith been right wele at ease before this, and yit may lif to his honestie, blissid be God, the better, if my saide kynseman his sone fare wel, to whome I pray you, for my sake, to be more singler good lord and maisters, if ye can soe be in eny wise. And our Lord God preserve you to His pleasour. From Aughton the xxiij day of Septembre.—[*House Book, Cir. Ebor.* vi. 41.]

To the right worshipfull Sirs, the Maier, aldermen, and common counesell of the citie of York.

Right worshipfull Sirs, I commaund me unto you. And for so much as I understand that M. John Harington hath been lately inquietid by untrue report maide of hyme above in the court, and emonges you also by one of his neghbours, which haith been called afore you and dar not avowe the same, bot that which he saide he denyed ayene, in the which behalve and oderwise ye have shewid your self luffing and kynd unto the saide M. John, as I am enfourmed, I hertly thank you, latting you wite that the saide M. John is my kynseman, and soo I have taken hyme and yit doith, as he can and woll more largely show unto you by petiegrew. This I pray you to report, if the case require, and for my sake and othre unto whome he is of kyn, and I shalbe glad to doo what I can for you by Gode's grace, Who preserve you. Frome Cartemell, iij^{d} day of Novembre.

And hertly I pray you, and everych of you, to remembre the premisse3, as my speciall trust is in you. And if y' be eny maliciouse person that wrongfully wuld vex or trouble my saide kynseman, I pray you to be his good maisters according to right. And who so ever it be that soo doith I shall put me in

devour to remembre hym in my power w^{t} Gode's grace.—W^{t} the handes of your good lover, Sir Robert Harington, knight.—[*House Book, Civ. Ebor.* vi. 48.]

To my right worshipfull sirs, the maier, aldermen, sheriffes and common counsell of the citie of York.

Your loveing freynd Jhon Conyers, Knight.

Right worshipfull Sirs, I commaund me unto you. And where I am enfourmed that my trusty and right hertly welbeloved M. John Harington haith be put to grete trouble and noted a fals Scott, in the which behalve, as I understand, he haith not onely declared hyme self before you one English man, bot aswele a gentilman borne in the parishing of Estrington, w^{t}in xiiij miles of the citie of York, and also a graduate of the Universitie of Cambridge, w^{t} record under the seal of the same Universitie testifying his demenaunce there; and for somuch as the saide M. John, after his commyng frome the saide Universitie, come into this counetre to my service, I certifie you that he was in my service by divers yeres my clerc and secretarie in the rowme of a gentilman, and soo taken unto the tyme of his commyng to York to offic for demeaning hyme to me that I had hyme in my singler favour, and for his trueth, wisedome, and lernyng accept hyme to be of my fee and counesell as yit he is, which I desire and hertly pray you to recorde as the case shall require. And if y' be thing that I may doo for your pleas', I shalbe more glad for his sake to accomplish the same by Gode's grace, Who preserve you. Frome Horneby, the xxiiij day of Octobr'.—[*House Book, Civ. Ebor.* vi. 49.]

1496. Robert Elwald.

To all trewe Cristen people to whom y^{is} present writtyng shall come or be shewed, Roland Prior of Hexham, Gilbert Eryngton, John Ridlee, squyers, Robert Eryngton of Whittyngton, Nicholas Eryngton, Symon Armestrang, Charles Eryngton, gentilmen, Sir Robert Whitqwam chaplayn & parysch prest of Saynt John ec, & William Smyth, parysche clerk of the

same, Thomas Sourby, John Denyng, John Spane, Robert Lee, Thomas Grene, John Copden, yomen, sendes gretyng in our Lord God everlastyng, &, to whome it belongeth, dieu recomendacion. And for so mekyll as it is meritory, medefull, and a speciall dede of charite to certiffie and witnes the trewth in every rightwise mater, therfor we make it knawen to your universite that Robert Elwalde, the son of John Elwald, is a trewe Ynglischeman, getten of his fader beforsayd and born of his moder, w^tin ye parysche of Saynt John Baptist within Hexham shire, & his godfadyrs callyd John Elwald of the said parische, & John Robson of ye Langelee, and his godmoder callid Janet Elwald of Hakefurth within ye said shire of Hexham, & Cristened in ye fount of ye said parische of Saynt John Baptist. Wherfor we pray & charitably exhorte all our good loufers, welwillers, and frendes that ye walde help & supporte the said Robert Elwald in his right, as ye wald we did to frendes and neghbours of yours, if the case require. In witnes herof we above said hase setto our seales. Gyffen at Hexham, the xxviij^th day of Octobre, in the xij^th yere of the regne of our soveraigne lord Kyng Henre the vij^th.

Litera testimonialis pro Roberto Elwald de Eboraco conyour.—[*York House Book*, viii. 12.]

1496. William Robinson.

Be it knowen to all Cristen pepill to whome this present writtyng shall here or see, that where it is meritorie to every Cristen creature to certifye a mater of trewth, we, Thomas Darnwater of Lepington, gentilman, Sir William Darnwater, his broder, chantry prest of Saynt Mary kirk in Castellgate, John Bell of York yoman, Janet Bell wiff unto William Wright of York, and Issabell Materson wiff to Robert Abell of York fyscher, certifieth & recordeth that William Robynson of York, wever, is a trewe Ynglisch man borne, & was borne in a towne called Boulton in Westmerland, & Cristined within All Halowe kyrk within the said town. His fader name was William Robynson, & his moder name Katerine; his godfader's name Adame Wolfe, & his other godfader's name was Adam Kedy, & his godmoder was John Dernwater wiff of Boulton gentilman, moder unto Thomas of Darnwater & Sr William Darnwater

above written; and John Percevall of Ousby godfader unto ye said William Robynson under ye bischop hand, and Janet Bell above written god suster unto ye said William Robynson, John Bell, & Issabell Materson above wrytten, borne in ye said town wher the said William Robynson was borne. And for more declaracion of treuth in the premisez, we the abovesaid Thomas Darnwater, & oyer tofore named, ar & shalbe redy to record & testifie thees premyses at every tyme when we yerto shalbe reasonably requyred. In witnes & record herof the partiez abovesaid hath setto theyr sealez, the xxiijth day of moneth of Decembre, the xijth yere of ye regne of Kyng Henry the vijth. —[*York House Book*, viii. 14*a*.]

1497. John, Thos., and Ralph Nelson.

Unto all Cristen men to qwome this present writtynge shall come, we, Sir James Strangways Knyght, Thomas Prior of Montgrace, Sr John Pekett vicar of ye parysche kyrke of Osmonderley, Thomas Loraunce, James Balderston, John Baxster, Henr' Thomson, George Thomson, William Lowraunce, Robert Balderston, John Hudson, Thomas Dixson, William Noddyng, Thomas Hudson, Robert Laken, John Balderston, John Seneer, Robert Seneer, William Prud, Thomas Lokwod, John Cruke, Robert Appilby, John Laken & Thomas Laynge yomen. In asmyche as it is medfull & meritory to every trewe Cristen man for to certifie the trouth in every mater, therfor we certifie to yowe for trewth & recordie yat John Nelson, Thomas Nelson, & Raufe Nelson ar Ynglyschmen, & born in town of Osmonderley, & Cristient at ye same kyrk. In witnes wherof we have setto our seales. Geven at Osmonderley, the viijth day of ye moneth of Septembre, ye yere of our Lord m^{l}cccc $\overset{xx}{\text{iiij}}$.xvij.

John Nelson
- James Clerk, godfader.
- William Evynwood, godfader.
- Agnes Darley, godmoder.

Th. Nelson
- Thomas Corte, godfader.
- James Balderston, godfader.
- Issabell Wellerby, godmoder.

Raufe Nelson
- Sir Raufe Surtes, godfader.
- Robert Makynson, godfader.
- Agnes Yngilby, godmoder.

[*York House Book*, viii. 27.]

1501. Richard Hamilton.

Unto all trew Cristen people this writtyng for to se, here, or reid, we, Henry Conyers of Westlathes in Cleveland gentilman, Ric' Buk bailiff of Sadbery in the Bischopprik of Durham, Ric' Kelyngall of ye same, Thomas Philopp, William Makaregh, John Philopp of Newshom upon Tese in the said Bishoppryk, Raufe Philopp of Brignell in the counte of Richemond yoman, sendith in grettyng in God everlastyng. For als mekill as it is meretorie and medefull to wytnese trewth, and, in esspeciall, in suche thyng as may safegard hym y^{t} is born in England that he shall not be suspect for a Skott, therfor by this oure lettre testimoniall, we, all afore rehersed, certifie3 & recorde3 y^{t} Ric' Hamylton, ye son of Andrewe Hamylton, was born in Wycliff in Richmond shyre, and Cristend at ye said Wicliff, and the parson of the said Wicliff & Ric' Buke was his godfaders, and Agnes Vincent, wiffe unto Christofer Vincent of Smeton, his godmoder; wherfor we pray & besecheth all trew Cristen people, y^{t} thei woll votesave, at our request & prayer, beald, succour, & releffe the said Ric' Hammylton, wher so ever he inhabitte3 or abide3, as a trewe Englischman born, as yei wold we did to thaym or thayre3 in a cause semeable, for, and the cause gretly required it, we mot prefe it y^{t} it is as is afore rehersed w^{t} an honest felischip of gentilmen & yomen. In witnes herof, unto this our lettre testimoniall we have put our seaulx, at ye said Wicliff, ye xviijth day of Junii, in ye yere of our Lord m^{l}ccccj.—[*York House Book*, viii. 177.]

1506. Bartram Dawson.

To all trew Cristen people the present wrytyng seyng, redyng, or heryng, George thabbot of the monastery of our Lady of Alnewyk, Sr Rauf Gray of Chelvyngham w^{t}in the countie of Northumbr' knyght, Sr Ric' Browdon vycar of Heddon & commyssary of ye sayd countie, Sr Robert Crofton m' of the towne of Bamburght, Sr Ric' Davyson vycar of Ellyngham, Nycholas Forster, John Forster, Bartilmaw Bradford, John Hall constable of ye said town of Bamburght, Rauf Carre of ye Newlande, Edmund Craucester constable of Dunstaneburght, Harry Fenkyll, & Thomas Fenkyll w^{t}in the said

countie, gentilmen, Harry Kendal, William Fenkyll, Edmund Person, John Fenkyll, John Bell, John Shell & Thomas Franche, w^{t}in the said countie, yomen, gretyng in our Lord Gode everlastyng, unto whome it apperteigneth due & humble recommendacion. Be it knowen to your universitez, that where we be enformed y^{t} oon Bartrame Dawson of the citie of York, drapour, is senysterly defamed that he shulde be a Scottysshman borne, wherby he is grevously hurt in his name & goodes; and forsomuche as meretory and medfull it is to record & testyfie ye treuth on eny matter, duely required, that for the concelement therof prejudice be not ingenered to the innocent, we, therfore, testifiez & recordez y^{t} the said Bartrame Dawson was gotten & borne in the town of Warmeden in the pariche of Bamburght, & Cristened w^{t}in the pariche churche of the same, havyng to his godfaderz Ric' Craucester of the town of Craucester gent and Bartrame Fenkyll of the town of Newham yoman lately deceassed, and to his godmother Margaret Hudde of Shoston deceassed; wherfore we besech & desyre youe, & yche oon of youe, to admyt, repute, & take the sayd Bartrame as a Ynglesman, not yevyng credennce to suche defame & detraction in hurtynge the same person in his good name & goodes, and, at this our recorde emong youe, that he may be intreated accordyng as he ought to be. And for the more recorde of treuth of this our present testimoniall, we have, whos namez afore er reherced, setto our sealez. Yeven, the vth day of Octobre, in the xxiith yere of our soveraigne lorde Kynge Harry the vijth after the conquest of his reign.—[*Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 340*a*.]

V. THE PROGRAMME FOR THE RECEPTION OF HENRY VII. ON HIS FIRST VISIT TO YORK IN 1486.

[*House Book, City of York*, vi. 15 *etc.*]

It is concludit by the Maier, his breder Aldermen, and othre of the Common Counesell of the citie, that thei being in gude hope to fynd the king more gracious soveraine lord unto the forsaide citie, by the mediacon of the most reverend fadre in Godd th'archbisshop of York, and othre lordes spirituall and temporall of his moost noble Counsesaill, shewing theime and all thinhabitantes y'of gretely gladdit and joyed of the commyng of his moost riall persone, w^t^ othre his nobles, unto the saide citie, have ordeigned and prepared to receyve the kinges' grace in forme folowing, that is to saie.

I. First, wher the two Sheriffes of the saide citie, for the tyme being, w^t^ xx horses, haith be accustumed to yeve y' attendance of kinges herbefor resorting unto the citie at Tadcastre brige, being thextremitie of y' fraunches, it is now concludid that, not oonly the saide two Sheriffes, bot aswell two of the Aldermen, accumpaned with xl horsses, shall y' wait on his grace.

II. Secundly where the Maire and Aldermen, cled in long gownys of skarlet, and othre of the Couneseil, accumpanyd with thinhabitantes of the citie, have be accustumed to wait of kinges in lykwise commyng to the citie on horse bak, aboute two miles fro the citie, thei be determined that the saide Maier and Aldermen in like clothing of skarlet, the Common Couneseill and Clerc in violet, Chambrelayns in murray, and many of thinhabitantes in rede, on horse bak, shall wait on the king at Bilburgh crose, about v miles fro the citie, and othre thinhabitauntes, which may not ride, or be of power to have rede gownes, to yeve y' attendance on foote betwixt Dringhowsis and the citie, beside a certaine nowmbre of chyldrine as shalbe geddard togeddre aboute Sanct James' chappell, calling joyfully, 'King Henrie,' after the maner of children.

III. Thirdly, in the entre of the citie and first bar of the same, shalbe craftely conceyvid a place in maner of a heven, of grete joy and Anglicall armony; under the heven shalbe a world desolaite, full of treys and floures, in the which shall spryng up a rioall, rich, rede rose, convaide by viace unto the which rose shall appeyre an othre rich white rose, unto whome so being to gedre all othre floures shall lowte and evidently yeve suffrantie, shewing the rose to be principall of all floures, as witnesh Barthilmew: and y'upon shall come fro a cloude a crowne covering the roses, after the which shall appeir a citie with citisyns, with the begynner of the same callid Ebrauk, which shall salute the king w^{t} wordes folowing in prose, and y'upon present unto the king the keys of the citie, being thenheritaunce of the saide Ebrauke, yelding his title and his crowne unto the king as moost glad of hym above al othre.

EBRAUKE.

Most reverend, rightwose regent of this rigalitie,
Whos primative patrone I peyre to your presence,
Ebraunk of Britane, I sitt nat this citie
For a place to my pleasour of moost prehemynence;
Herunto I recoursid for moost convenience,
In comforthing that by cource of liniall succession.
Myne heires this my citie shuld have in possession.

Of right I was regent and rewlid this rigion,
I subdewid Fraunce, and led in my legence;
To you, Henrie, I submitt my citie, key, and croune,
To reuyll and redresse, your dew to defence:
Never to this citie to presume ne pretence,
Bot holy I graunt it to your governaunce,
As a principall parcell of your inheritaunce.

Please it, I besuch you, for my remembrance,
Seth that I am premative of your progenie,
Shew your grace to this citie w^{t} such aboundance,
As the reame may recover in to prosperitie,
And also of your grace gyve not your ee
Oonely to this citie of insufficience,
Bot graciously consider y'with and diligence.

It is knawne in trueth of grete experience
For your blode this citie made never degression,
As recordith by the grete hurt for blode of your excellence ;
Wherfor the rathre I pray for compassion.
And to mynd how this citie of old and pure affeccion
Gladdith and injoith your high grace and commyng,
W^t^ our concent, knowing you y' sufferaine and king.

IIII. Fourtly, the king, commyng up the stretes, shall se the same furnishede w^t^ clothis of the best which may be gottyn w^t^in the citie for the honourment of the same, and at his entrie unto Use brigge, in the end of the streetes of Skeldergate and Northstrete, becauce no gappes shall appeir, shall y' be clothes hangid, and a convenient thing divisid wherby, if the weder be fair, of the lordes before and othre ne before the king schall rayne rose water.

V. Fiftly, shalbe on the hight of Ouse brigge a rioall troyne, and y'in sodanely appering, set togidder in counsaill, sex kinges crouned, betokining the sex Henries, which, after the sight had of the king, with certaine convenient laisour, avisidly shall commyt a ceptour unto Salamon, cledd as king, which Salamon shall y'upon, taking that ceptour, and saying the wordes folowing unto the king in prose, yelde unto him the saide ceptour in tokining that in hym is wisdome and justice.

SALOMON.

Most prudent prince of pruved prevision,
Theiz premordiall princes of this principalitie
Haith preparate your reame, the vij^th^ by succession,
Remitting reame als right to your rialtie.
Theiz ar kinges condigne of your consanguinitie,
Ful riall and rightwose in rewle of y' regence,
And ful lordly thai execute the lawes of y' legence.

Seth that God moost glorius, eternall sapience
Did insence me, Salomon, of his effluent grace,
Wherfore I am takin, as patrone of prudence,
To discuse up in conscience ich judiciall cace,
Revolving how with sapience ye have spent your space,
To the tyme of this your misteriusly
Obteyning as moost worthi your right not regosly.

Now reane ye, reule ye your reame rightwosly,
By politike providence, as God haith indewid,
To you sufferaunce in sapience submitting me umbly
Your sage favour sothfastnese haith so be shewid
In ich judiciall right this reame to be renewid,
Ye be avisid most worthi by graciouse affluence,
Submitting to your sufferaunt my septour of sapience.

VI. Sextly, shal appere in thend of a strete joining on the syde of Ousegate passing into Conyngstrete, shalbe a shew, and fro the same shall come hailestones to be maid by viace falling on the lordes and othre commyng ne before the king, hailestones to be made by craftes of cumfettes.

VII. Sevently, shalbe at the Common Hall a castell appeiring of grete force, wherin David, as the moost principall, shall appeir, and he shall w^{t} wordes folowing yeld unto the king a sword of his victorie: y' shalbe in that castell citizins, which, after a sight of the king and remembrance of hyme, w^{t} gude countenaunce shall appeir in clothing of white and greyne, shewing y' trueth and hertly affeccion unto the kinge.

DAVID.

Most prepotent prince of power imperiall,
Redowtid in ich region of Criste's affiance,
Your actes victorious be notid principall,
In maner more noble then Charlis of Fraunce,
Seth God so disposith of His preordinaunce,
And right so yeve me might to devyne goodly,
I, David, submitt to you my swerd of victorie.

When I reynid in Judie, I know and testify
That Ebraunce the noble which subdewid Fraunce,
In memorie of his triumph this citie did edify,
That the name of his noble shuld have continuance;
I witnesh that this citie, without variaunce,
Was never deflorid be force ne violence,
Wherfore I have chosyn it for my place to your presence.

Submitting it w^{t} thafforce and trueth to your excellence,
Beseching your highnese ye more for myne instance

To this your inheritance tak gracious complacence,
Set yat it is your citie not filid w^{t} dissavaunce,
Trew and bold to your blode, not dreding perturbance,
Which causid moost this citie to be desolate,
New reviving in comforth to attaine your asstate.

VIII. Eghtly, shalbe at thend of Swynegale joining of Staynegate our Lady, commyng frome hevin, and welcome the king in wordes folowing, and y'upon ascend ayane in to heven wit angell sang, and y' schall it snaw by craft to be made of waffrons in maner of snaw.

Oure Lady.

Henrie, seth my Sone, as thi Sufferayne haith the sembly assynyd
Of His grace to be governer for His people protection,
Full specially that thine heiez of petie be declinid,
I pray the seth thi people haith me mich in affeccion,
My Son and my Soveraine in whome is eleccion,
Singulerly this citie haith honoured humbely,
And maide me y' meane w^{t}outin objeccion,
In hope of y' help to have it holy.

What I ask of His grete grace He grantith it gudely
As a beame of all beutes benyngne,
The His knyght He haith callid victoriously
To convoce and concord His contrie condigne.
I pray in this space
For this citie a place of my pleasing,
And have you no drede nor no dowting,
Continuall heir in this reynyng,
I shall sew to my Sone,
To send you His grace.

VI. CUSTOMS AND LIBERTIES OF THE BURGESSES OF NEW MALTON. SÆC. XV.]

[*From the Original Roll.*]

Thies er the custumes and libertes, the qwhyche was concest and graunted to the Burgese of New Mallton at the fyrst fundacyon of the sayd Malton be the Lorde of ye same, and in all tymys hydyrward hath ben usyd.

Fyrst it was graunted to the for sayd Burgeses a wast of ather syde of the town of New Malton, y^t^ the Burgeses and thare successors schall in the sayd wastys gett stone, and fro thens stone and erd take and cary to the edyficacion and beyldyng w^t^in ye sayd town, when som ever y^ai^ wyll, and als ofte as thay wyll, w^t^ owtyn impedyment of any man. And thay schall haffe iiij portes, that is to say iiij ȝattes, and ye walles of ye sayd Burgage undyr . . . awn kepyng w^t^ fre entre and goyng oute w^t^in the sayd walles of ye Burgage, w^t^ all ye proffettes of ye sayd walles, to the mendyng of ye sayd walles, and also of ye sayd ȝattes. And the sayd Burgese ever more hathe usyd for to pastur' and to fede y^r^ bestes in ye fore sayd wastes.

Also it was grauntyd ye fore sayd Burgese common pastur' to all y^r^ bestes in ye feyldes and in ye more, fer and ner, and in all othyr places, exceppt severall of ye lorde, w^t^ fre entre and goyng owte to ye mor' by a large way, the qwhyche is called ye owtegang, w^t^owtyn any styntyng; and ye pastur' and ye owtegang war graunted and gyffen to ye fore sayd Burgese of ye lordi's lande of ye fore sayd Burgage.

Also it was graunted and usyd y^t^ ye Burgese afore sayd schulde haffe y^r^ fre cowrtt for to be haldyn w^t^ in ye Burgage a fore sayd; and thay schall haffe two Ballyffes and two undyr Ballyffes, j Burgese clerke resydentt and bydyng w^t^ in ye sayd Burgage, for to hold the fore sayd cowrtt of ther own fre will . . . be xij sworne Burgese be thar fayth y^t^ thay made to the lorde and to ye commonte of ye sayd Burgage. And y^t^ noo othyr Balyffe schal make no tachement nor somond w^t^ in ye fore sayd

Burgage w^{t} owte ye Balyffe of ye Burgage y^{t} is sworne. And y^{t} no distreyn y^{t} is made w^{t} in ye sayd Burgage schall be remevyd w^{t} owten ye libertye of ye sayd Burgage.

Also [it] is grauntyd and usyd y^{t} ye fore sayd Burgese schall make bott ij suttes by y^{e} ȝer' to ye sayd cowrtt, that is to say, at ye grete cowrtt next eftyr ye fest of Sayntt Myghell, and at ye grett cowrtt next eftyr Sayntt Hyllare day, exceppyd thay haffe prisoners for to delyver, or jugement of any playntt for to be gyffen. And yai schall haffe y' viij days of somondes; and at all ye fore sayd cowrtes may ye Burgese assoyn yame ons or twyse, and iffe yai make a defawte and apper efter ye seconde assoyn yai schall be amersyd iiij d., and no more.

Also it is usyd y^{t} noo man y^{t} haldes of thame schall haffe noo cowrte bot alonly ye Burgese cowrte, and also y' schal noo cowrtt be halden w^{t} in ye liberte of ye Burgage bot y^{e} ȿayd cowrte of ye Burgage.

Also it is grauntyd and usyd y^{t} no Burgese, nor noo odyr man that dwellys w^{t} in ye Burgage, schall sew one a nodyr bot alonely in ye cowrtte of ye Burgage; and iffe any Burgese of ye sayd Burgage be sewed be any man of ye contre, or any neghbur of ye sayd Burgage, the sayd Burgese schall haffe hys viij days respett; and iffe so be y^{t} and he come in to ye cowrte ye fyrst day after he be atachyd, and aske viij days fro y^{t} day and also he schall haffe hys delays, that is to say twa assoynys after every apperyng; and that als well ye playntyffe as ye defender in all maner of playnttes als well of dett as of trespas, and also in pley of lande and als wele wagyd os be fore.

And iffe so be y^{t} and a Burgese of ye sayd Burgage sew hys neghbur of ye same town, no Burgese or any man of ye contr . . . e schall haffe cowrte fro day to day w^{t} hys delays, y^{t} is to say two assoynis, als wele ye playnttyffe as the defender.

And iffe so be y^{t} he apper not after ye seconde assoyn, than schall ye foresayd soyn be turned in to defawte, and he schall be amercyd be ye aferyng of xij men.

Also it is usyd y^{t} yffe any man that dwellys w^{t} in ye sayd Burgage, als wele a foraner as Burges, be sommonyd or atachyd to any cowrte w^{t} owte ye Burgage, or to the wapyntak, the Balyffes or Subbalyffes of ye said Burgage, or any

mynister of ye Lorde's haffyng lett' patant of the lorde, come to thame y^{t} hold ye sayd cowrtt or wapyntake the fyrst day of somondes or atachement, and aske ye prevalege of ye Burgage, he y^{t} holdes ye cowrte or wapyntake schall graunte it, so y^{t} ye ryght jugement be done to every man.

Also it is graunted and usyd that ye jugement of all maner of playnttes and consideraconys in ye sayd Burgag cowrte schall be gyffen and jugyd be ye sutterys of ye sayd cowrte, and all mercyamentes fered, exceppyd alonely the amercyamentes of ye comon backster and assyse of brede, and of alle odyr transgrescyons y^{t} towchys the lorde's persons.

Also it is grauntyd y^{t} alle Burgese of ye sayd Burgage schall be fre of all maner of toll of ye lord in all maner of merchauntyse, bot iffe yai be assocyat w^{t} any foroner or stranger, and than the foroner and the stranger schall gyffe toll als wele for ye Burgese as for hym selfe, exceppyd common bucherys, the qwyche gyffes toll dayly of old custom, and exceppyd Burgese y^{t} sellys heryng in Lentyn, ye qwhyche schall gyffe for sellyng of m^{l} heryng j d., or ellys for sellyng of ye same thay schall gyffe to ye skattegyld iiij d.

Also it is grauntyd to thame a fre prison for all maner of evyll doers that er takyn w^{t} in ye Burgage, that in ye sayd cowrte, by ye commonte of the sutterys, thay may juge the sayd prisoners or mysdoers and delyver thame. And ye sayd Burgese schall w^{t} in ye Burgage ordan a pelory and a thew, lawfull and strang.

Also it is usyd y^{at} ye Burgese of ye sayd Burgage schall answere be fore the justyse of pease in all sessyons and inqwyres w^{t} xij chosyn of the same; and also before the scheryffe in hys Turne holdyn w^{t} in ye liberte of ye Burgag, and in no nodyr place; and that ye sayd Burgese schall make y^{r} a panyll of ye sayd xij, and y^{t} panyll schall be presentyd and delyvered be fore ye Justicie or ye Scheryffe by ye Balyffe, or Subballyffe of ye same Burgag.

Also it is grauntyd to ye sayd Burgese a liberte for to grynde y^{r} corne and y^{r} maltt at the mylne of ye lord, that is to say, when j qwharter wheytt is sald for iiij s., than schall y^{r} corne be multyrd at ye xvj vessell; and qwhen j qwharter

qwheytt is sold for iiij s. vj d. and mor to it come to vj s., yan y^r^ corn schall be multeryd at ye xx vessell; and qwhen j qwharter qwheytt is sold for vj s., than y^r^ corn schall be multeryd at ye xxiiij vesell.

And yai schall haffe in ye sayd mylnes two mylners and j page chosyn by ye assent of ye commonte of ye Burgage, the qwhyche mylners schall be sworn in ye cowrtt at two tymes in ye yere, that is to say, at ye two hede cowrttes to ye commonte off the Burgage, and non of the mylners schall take no maner of thyng of thame y^t^ grynd y^r^ corn for y^r^ labor, bott alonly of hym y^t^ is ye chefe mylner.

Also ye sayd Burgese schall grynd iiij qwhartars maltt for j d., and it be broght to the mylne all to gedyr and at o tyme; and ȝhe haffe bott j quarter at o tyme, thay schall gyffe for ye sayd quarter gryndyng a farthyng.

Also it is used that all maner of mesurys of ye mylne that yai take multyr w^t^ schall (be) proved in ye sayd cowrte of the Burgage by ye Balyffes two tymes in y^e^ ȝhere, and y^r^ schal no mylner be remevyd fro ye sayd mylnes w^t^ owtyn ye assent of ye commonte of ye Burgage, nor y^r^ schall no mylner be putt into ye sayd mylne w^t^ outyn ye assent of ye commonte, nor mynyst' in ye sayd mylnes be fore y^t^ he be sworn to be trew to ye commonte.

Also it was grauntyd and usyd y^t^ all ye Burgese of ye sayd Burgage, and all y^t^ dwels w^t^ in it, may grynde y^r^ corn and y^r^ maltt y^t^ yay by in ye contre, or in ye markytt, qwher some ever yay wyll, w^t^ owtyn any impediment so y^t^ ye corne or maltt com never w^t^in y^r^ howses.

Also the sayd Burgese schall haffe ye standard, that is to say the buschell, halff a buschell and j qwartir of j buschell, and j galon, j potell and j qwarte, j ȝerde wande, and weghttes w^t^ j pare of balanys, the qwhyche mesures schuld agre w^t^ the kynge's standard, and be merkyd w^t^ ye merke that is ordande y^r^ fore; and all maner of mesurys y^t^ er fondon w^t^in ye sayd Burgage, als wele in ye mylne as in any odyr place, schall be schewed and prevyd be fore ye Balyffes and ye commonte of ye Burgage, and be merkyd w^t^ ye merke afore sayd; and ye standard be fore sayd schall be selled w^t^ ye common seall, and y^e^

merke schall be kepyd undyr ye seallys off iiij Burgese chosyn for the same intent.

Also it is grauntyd that al maner of bakars and buchers schall be sworn two tymes in ye yere to ye commonte of ye Burgage, that is to say at ye two grete cowrttes, y^t^ yay haffe done trewly in y^r^ ocupacyon and schall do trewly; and if so be the buchers wyll not doo so, thay schall be amersyd at ye sayd cowrtt; and the bakars schall be amersyd als ofte as yai fayll; and also ye sayd bakars schall haffe holle brede aftyr ye ordenance of ye Ballyffes; and also y^t^ no bakar y^t^ bakys qwhytte brede schall bake brown brede for to sell, nor he y^t^ bakys brown brede schall bake no qwhyte brede.

Also it is usyd and grauntyd that every Burgese of ye sayd Burgage may lawfully sell y^r^ maltt and y^r^ ale y^t^ commys owte of y^r^ garnes w^t^ owtyn any interrupcyon of ye Lord or of ye Ballyffes, and yai may sell y^r^ ale w^t^ in y^r^ awn howses of qwhat pryce som ever thay wyll, and yat, als wele of ye malt y^t^ thay by, as of y^t^ that yay hafe in y^r^ garnes, every tyme in ye ȝere.

Also it is grauntyd and usyd y^t^ all men y^t^ dwellys w^t^in yis sayd Burgage may sell bred and ale of all maner of pryce y^t^ yay wyll in the fest of Sanct Myghell and in ye feste of ye Byrthe of oure Lorde, un to the next cowrtte aftyr ye sayd fest, w^t^ owtyn any interupcion of ye lord or of the Ballyfes.

Also it is grauntyd and usyd that every common brewer y^t^ wyll sell ale w^t^ owtyn y^r^ howses, y^t^ thay schall mak y^r^ fyne j tyme in y^e^ ȝere w^t^ ye Ballyffes of ye Burgage, that is to say at ye fest of ye Puryfycacyon of oure Lady, for all y^e^ ȝere: and thay schall pay halfe y^r^ fyne att ye fest of Saynt Petyr callyd ye Ad Vincula; and ye todyr halfe at ye fest of ye Puryfycacyon of owr Lady in y^e^ ȝere next folowyng, excepyd the brewers y^t^ holdys of ye knyghty's fee: and ye brewers y^t^ holdes of ye Prior of Malton, the qwhyche makes noo fyne nor gyffes no thyng to ye Lorde.

Also it is usyd y^t^ the sayd Burgese schall chese in y^r^ cowrte two ale tastars, ye qwhyche two tastars w^t^ j subballyffe schall taste the ale of all common brewers every weke; and yai fynde any ale not sufficiant for j peny a galon, than ye sayd tasturs schall sett it at iij farthynges j galon; and iff so be ye brewers wyll sell it abown y^t^ price, thay schall be amersyd, and ye ale schall be forfett: and y^t^ sall be als wele of y^e^

brewers that hold of ye Prior of Malton, and of ye Knyghte's fee, as of othyr brewers of ye sayd Burgage.

Also it is usyd and graunted y^t^ every Burgese schall gyff to ye Lord one tyme in y^e^ ȝere a farme for hys tenement, the qwhyche is called the gaffelege, that is to say, for every tenement y^t^ hath j dore j d. And yf so be it be lattyne in farme to ye cowrte of ye burgage aftyr ye fest of Seyntt Myghell: and for every howse y^t^ is lattyn to farme that hathe two doores ij d. in ye ȝere to ye sayd cowrte; and for every tofte y^t^ is nott beldyd j d. by y^e^ ȝere, exceppyd yay be tenementes of ye Knyghte's fee, or of ye Prior of Malton, ye qwhyche gyffes no thyng to ye Lorde. And if so be a Burgese appropyr many tenementes lyyng all to gedyr, and hold yam to hys propyr use, he schall gyffe butt j gaffelege to ye Lorde, as it war for j tenement.

Also yffe so be y^t^ any Burgese haffe dyverse tenementes to hys awn use in dyverse places, or yf he make of j tenement dyverse tenementes w^t^ dyverse tenandes dwellyng in thame, he schall gyffe hale gaffelege, and it is lefull to every Burgese to sell hys tenementes, or to gyffe yame, or to wyll yame in hys testament w^t^ owtyn impedyment of the Lorde or of ye Balyffes, and the Lorde of ye fee schall not haffe, nor never hade, ye warde of ye herytage of any Burgese of ye sayd Burgage, nor he schall never clame no thyng of ye herydance, bott alonly hys faythe for hys tenementes or hys lande aftyr ye decesse of hys predecessors.

Also it is ordanyd y^t^ no groser of fysche awe to cutt hys awn fysche be hym selffe, nor be a nodyr man, bott yffe ye sayd fysche be boght w^t^ odyr men; and yff he doo he schall be amersyd and the fysche sall be forfett.

Also it is ordanyd that no schomakar that makes schone schall nott ocupy nor use the tannar^s^ crafte, nor a tannar schall not use nor ocupy schomakar crafte.

Al thyes lyberteis and customes [above] wrytyn, w^t^ many othyr moo liberteis, the qwyche un to the lib . . . Burgage pertenys, the fore sayd Burgeses claymes for to hafe . . . and y^r^ antecessors liberally hafe usyd be fore tyme, [the qwhyche ty]me is w^t^ owtyn man's membraunce or mynde, the qwhyche . . . in ye clayme of ye sayd Burgeses and also in tyme . . . to be claymed.

VII. THE SONNGE OF SIR ANDRAYE BARTON, KNIGHT.[1]

[*From an Early Transcript in York Minster Library.*]

I.

It fell against a Midsomer moneth,
When birds soonge well in every tree,
Our worthe prence, Kinge Henrye,
He roode untoe a chelvellrye,
And allsoe toe a forrest soe faire,
Wher his grace wente toe tak the ayre;
And twentye marchantes of London citie
Then on there knees they kneelled there.

II.

'Yea are welcome home, my rich merchantes,
'The best salers in Christentie!'
'We thanke yowe by the Rood, we are salers good,
'But rich merchantes we can not be;
'To France nor Flanders we der not goe,
'Nor a Burgesse[2] voy(a)ge we der not farre,[3]
'For a robber that lyes abrod on the sea,
'And robs us of oure merchante's waire.'

[1] The MS. of this well-known and most popular North-country ballad recently came into the possession of the Dean and Chapter of York, with a number of papers which belonged in the seventeenth century to the episcopal families of Lamplugh and Davenant. It is written in a sixteenth century hand, and is the best known version of the famous old ballad, in which it makes many improvements and changes. It has at one time formed part of a ballad book in small 4to., this song being numbered 25. At the end of it is part of No. 26, beginning, 'As I forth walkeeth aireley among the groves and pleasant springes in the merie moneth of Maye.'

[2] An old form of Bordeaux. [3] *Lege* fare.

III.

King Henry was stout, and turnd hime about,
He sware by the Lord that was mickell of might,
'Is ther any rober in the world soe stoute
'Der worke toe England that unrighte?
The merchantes answered, soore they sight,
With a woefull harte, to the kinge againe,
'He is one that robes us of our right,
'Were we twentie shippes and he but one.'[1]

IV.

King Henrye lookte over his shoulder agayne
Amongst his lordes of hye degree:
'Have I not a lord in all my land soe stoute,
'Der take yon robber upon the sea?'
'Yes,' then did answeer my Lord Charls Howwarde,
Neare the kinge's grace that he did stande;
He saide, 'If your grace will give me leave,
My selfe will be the onlie man

V.

'That will goe beat Sir Andrewe Barton,
'Upon the seas, if he be there,
'Ile ether bringe hime and his shippe toe this lande,
'Ore Ile come in England never more.'[2]
'Yow shall have five hundrethe men,' saide Kinge Henrye,
'Chuse them within my realme soe free
'Beside all other merriners and blause,[3] (*sic*)
'Toe give the the great shippe on the sea.'

VI.

The first of all the Lord up cald,
A noble gunner he was one,
This man was thre score yeares and ten,
And Petter Symond height his name.

[1] *Lege* ane. [2] *Lege* mare, *i.e.* more. [3] This should be 'boys.'

'Petter,' quoeth he, 'I must saill the sea,
'Toe looke[1] an enemye, God be my speede,
'As thowe arte ould, I have chossen the,
'Of a hundreth gunners to be the headde.'

VII.

He said, 'If your Honor have chossen me
'Of a hundreth gunners to be the headd,
'On your mayn mast tre let me be hangd,
'If I miss thre mille a pennye breed.'[2]
Then next of all my Lord up cald
A noble boweman he was ane,
In Yorkeshier was this gentleman borne,
And William Horsley height[3] his name.

VIII.

'Horsley,' saide he, 'I must saill the sea,
'Toe meete an enemee, thow must knowe,[4]
'I have oft told of thy artillorye,
'But of thy shootinge I never sawe:
Yet fore thye drawght that thowe dost drawe,
'Of a hundreth bowemen to be the heade.'
Said Horsley then 'Let me be hange
'If I mis twelve score a twelt penc breed.'

IX.

Yea pickmen more, and bowmen both,
This worthe Howward tooke to the sea,
On the morowe after Midsomer moneth,
Out of Temes mouth sailled he:
Hee had not sailled one daie but three,
After his Honor tooke to the sea,
Vhen he mette with one Harrie Huntte,
In Newcastell ther dwelte hee.

[1] To look for.
[2] Breed, *i.e.* breadth.
[3] Was *interlined.*
[4] Knowe, *lege* knawe.

X.

When he sawe the Lion of England out blaisse,
The sterne and the roose about his eye,
Full soonne he let his toppe-saill fall,
That was a tooken of curtissie.
Me Lord he cald of Henry Huntte,
Bad Harry Hunt both stay and stande;
Saies 'Tell me where thy dwellinge is,
'And whome unto thye shippe belonnges?'

XI.

Henrye Hunt he answered, sore he sight,
With a woefull hart and a sorrowefull minde,
'I and this shippe doth both belonge
'Unto the Newe Castell that stands upon Tyne.'
'But haist thowe harde,' said my Lord Charles Hawward,
'Wher thowe haist travelled by daie or by night,
'Of a robber that lies abroode on the sea,
'They call him Sir Andrewe Barton knight?'

XII.

'Yes,' Harye answered, sore he sight,
With a woefull hart thus did he saye.
'Mar(r)y, overwell I knowe that weight,
'I was his pressoner yesterdaie;
'Toe frome[1] home, my Lord, that I was boune,[2]
'A Burgess voyage was boune so faire,
'Sir Andrewe Barton met with me,
'And robd me of mye merchante's waire.

XIII.

'And I ame a man in mickle debte,
'And everye one craves his owne of mee;
'And I am bonne to London, my Lorde,
'Fore toe comepleanne to good King Henrye.'

[1] Tofrom, formed like tofore, &c.
[2] A Northern word, still in common use.

'But even I pray the,' saies Lord Charlles Howeerd,
'Henrye, let me that robber see,
'Where that Scoott hath teyne frome the a grootto,
'I'le paye the backe a shillinge,' said hee.

XIV.

'Nay, God forbid; yea, noble Lord,
'I heare your Honor speake amisse;
'Christ keepe yowe out of his companye,
'Ye wott not what kine a man he is;
'He is brase within and steelle without,
'He beares beames in his topcastle hye,
'He hath threscoree peece on ether side,
'Besides, my Lorde, well mande is he.

XV.

'He hath a pennis is dearelye deighte,
'She is dearelye deighte, and of mickell pried,
'His pennis hath ninescorre men and more,
'And thirtene peece on ethere sidde.
'Were yare[1] twentie shippes, my Lorde,
'As your Honor is but one,
'Ethere bye lerbord or by lowe
'That Scootte would overcome yowe, everye one.'

XVI.

'Mar(r)ye, that's ill hartinge,'[2] saies my Lord Charlls Howeward,
'Harye, to welcome a stranger to the sea,
'I'le ether bringe thatte Scootte and his shippe toe England,
'Or into Scootteland hee carrye me.'
'Well, since the matter is soe flatte,
'Take heed, Ile tell yowe this before
'If yowe and Sir Andrewe chance toe borde,
'Let noe man toe his topcastle goe,

[1] *i.e.* if you had.
[2] *i.e.* discouraging, an old phrase.

XVII.

Excepte yowe have a gunner goode,
'That can well marke with his eye;
'First seeke to gette his pennis sunk,
'The soonner overcome his selfe may bee.
'Yesterdaie I was Sir Andrewe's pressonner,
'And ther he tooke me sworne,' saide hee,
'Before Ile leave off my serving (?) God,
'My wild maide oeth may brooken be.

XVIII.

'Will yowe lend me sexe peece of ordenance, my Lord,
'To carye into my shippe with mee?
'Toe morrowe by seven a clocke, and souner,
'In the morne yowe shall Sir Andrewe see;
'Fore I will set yowe a glasse, my Lord,
'That yowe shall saille forth all this night,
'Toe morrowe be seven a clocke and souner,
'Yows se Sir Andrewe Barton, knight.'

XIX.

Nowe will we leave talkinge of Harry Hunt;
The worthye Howwarde tooke to the sea;
By the morne, by seven a clocke and souner,
My Lord hee did Sir Andrewe see,
A larborde wher Sir Andrewe laye;
They saide he tould his gold in the light.
'Nowe by my faith,' saide my Lord Charlles Howwarde,
'I se yonne Scootte, a worthe weight.'

XX.

'All our greatt ordienance weell take in,
'Fetche downe my streemers,' then saide hee,
'And hange me forth a white willowe wande,
'As a marchante man that sailles by the sea.'
By Sir Andrewe then mye Lord he past,
And noe topsaille let fall would hee.
'What meanes yonne English dogg?' he saies,
'Dogs doe knowe noe curtissie.

XXI.

'For I have staid heare in this place
'Admirall more then yeares three;
'Yet was not ther Englisheman or Portingaill,
'Could passe by me with his liffe,' saide he.
'Once I met with the Portingaills,
'Yea I met with them, ye I indeed,
'I salted thirtie of ther heades,[1]
'And sent them home to eate with breade.

XXII.

'Nowe by me is yoen pedler past,
'It greves me at the hart,' said hee.
'Fetch me yoen English dogs,' he saide,
'Ile hange them al on my mayn mast tree.'
Then his pennis shotte of a peec of ordenance.
The shootte my Lord might verye well ken,
Fore he shootte downe his missonne mast,
And kild xvth of my Lorde's men.

XXIII.

'Come hether, Peter Simond,' said my Lord Charles Howward,
'Letes se the word standis in steede;
'On my mayn mast tre thowe must be hunge
'If thowe misse three mill a penney breed.'
Petter was ould, his hart was bould,
He tooke a peece frome hie and laid hir beloue,
He put in a chean of yeards ninee,
Besides all other greate shoote and smalle.

XXIV.

And as he maide that gune to goe,
And verye well he marke with his eie,
The first sight that Sir Andrewe sawee,
He sawe his penis sunke in the sea.

[1] In the edition of Bishop Percy's folio MS. a quotation is given from Bishop Lesley's 'Historie of Scotland,' in which it is said 'Andro Bartone did tak mony shipps of that countrey (Holland) and fillit certane pipis with the heidis of the Holandaris, and send unto the king in Scotland.' This is not mentioned in any other version of this ballad.

When Sir Andrewe sawe his pennis sunke,
That man in his hart was no thinge well,
'Cut me my cabells, let me be lousse,
'Ile fetch yoen English dogges me selne.'

XXV.

When my Lord sawe Sir Andrewe from his anker loouse,
Nay, Lord, a mighty man was hee.
'Let my drumes strike up, and my trumpetes sound,
'And blaise my banners vailliantlie.'
Peter Simon's sonne shoote of a gune,
That Sir Andrewe might very well ken,
Fore he shoott throughe his over decke,
And kild fifttie of Sir Andrewe's men.

XXVI.

'Ever alack!' said Sir Andrewe Barton,
'I like not of this geare,' saide hee;
'I doubt this is some English Lorde
'Thats comed to taik me on the sea.'
Harrye Hunt came in on the other sidde,
The shoote Sir Andrewe might very well ken,
Fore he shoote downe his misson mast,
And kild other fortye of his men.

XXVII.

'Ever alacke!' said Sir Andrewe Barton,
'What maye a trewe man thinke or saye?
'He is becomed my greatest enymye,
'That was my pressonner yesterdaie.
'Yet feare no English dogges,' said Sir Andrew Barton,
'Nor fore ther forse stand yea no awe,
'My hands shall hange them all my selfe,
'Froe once I let my beames downe fawe.

XXVIII.

'Come hether, drinke, thou Girdon goode,
'And come thou hether at my call.
'Fore heare I may noe longer staye;
'Goe up and let my beames down fall.'

Then he swarmd up the maine mast tree,
With mickell might and all his maine,
Then Horsley with a broode headed arrowe,
Stroke then Girdon throughe the weame.

XXIX.

And he fell backe to the hatches againe,
And in that wound full sore did bleed,
The bloode that ran soe fast from hime,
They said it was, 'the Girdon's deed!'
'Come hether, thow James Hamelton,
'Thowe my sister's sonne, I have noe more.[1]
'Ile give the five hundreth pound,' he saide,
'Ife thowe wilt toe the topsaille goee.'

XXX.

Then he swarmd up the mayn mast tree
With mickell might and all his mayne.
Then Horsley with a broode arrowe head,
Tooke hime in at the buttuke of the utuer beame;
Yet frome the tre he would not parte,
But up in haist he did prossed,
Then Horsley with anothere arrrowe,
Strooke then Hamelton throughe the heade.

XXXI.

When Sir Andrewe sawe his sister's sonne slayne,
That man in his harte was nothinge well.
'Fight, maisters!' said Sir Andrewe Barton,
'Its time, Ile to the top myselne.'
Then he put on the armere of prooffe,
And it was guilt with gold full cleare.
'My brother John of Barton,' he saide
'Full longe against Portingaill they weare.'

[1] *Read* moe.

XXXII.

When he had on that armore of proofle,
Yea on his bodye he had that on,
Marry, they that sawe Sir Andrewe Barton
Said arrowes nor guns he feared none.
Yet Horsley drewe a broode headed arrowe,
With mickell might and all his mayne,
That shaft against Sir Andrewe's brest,
Came back to my Lord Howwarde's shippe agayne.

XXXIII.

When my Lord he sawe that arrowe comme,
My Lord he was a woefull weight;
'Marke well thine ame, Horsley,' he saide,
'Fore that same shoote Ile make the knight.'
'Ever alacke!' said Horsley then,
'For howe soe ever this geare doth goee;
'If I for my service louse my heade,
'I have in this shippe but arrowe towe.'

XXXIV.

Yet he ma(r)kt hime with the one of them,
In a previe place and a secrete pert,
He shoote hime in at the left oxtere,
The arrowe quiett throughe harte.
'Feight, Maisters!' said Sir Andrewe Barton,
'I'se a lettle hurt, but I ame not slayne,
'Ile lie me downe and bleede a whill,
'Ile risse and feight with yowe agayne.

XXXV.

'Yet feare noe English dogges,' said Sir Andrewe Barton,
'Nore fore there force stand ye noe awe;
'Sticke stifeley to Sir Andrewe Barton,
'Feight till ye heare my whisstill blowe.'[1]
The(y) could noe skill of the whisstill heare;
Quoeth Hary Hunt, 'I der lay my heade,
'My Lord yowe maye take the shippe when yowe will,
'I se Sir Andrewe Barton deade.'

[1] *Leye* blawe.

XXXVI.

And then they borded that noble shippe,
On both the sides with all ther men;
Ther was eighten Scootes a live,
Besides all other was hurte and slayne.
Then up my Lord tooke Sir Andrewe Barton,
And of he cutt the dead man's head,
'I would forsweare England for xxth years,
'Toe have the quicke as thowe art deade.'

XXXVII.

But of he cut the dead man's heade,
And bounde his bodye toe borden tre,
And tiede 5 hundreth angles about his midle,
That was toe cause hime buried toe bee.
Then they sailled toe Ingland agayne,
With mickle merienes, as I weane,
They entred Englishe land agayn
On the night before Ste Maudlen even.

XXXVIII.

Toe might[1] my Lord came the kinge an quen,
And many nobles of hie degree,
They came fore noe kind of thinge,
But Sir Andrewe Barton they would see.
Quoth my Lord, 'Yowe may thanke Allmighty God,
'And foure men in the shippe with mee,
That ever we scaipt Sir Andrewe hands,
'England had never such an enniemie;

XXXIX.

'Thats Henrye Hunt and Petter Symon,
'William Horsley and Petter Symon sonne,
'Reward all thoesse fore there paynes,
'They did good service att that time.'

[1] *i.e.* to meet.

'Henry Hunt shall have his whistle and chean,
'An noble a daie Ile give him,' quoeth hee,
'And his coustome betwexte Trent tid and Tyne,
'Soe longe as he doth use the sea.

XL.

'Petter Symon shall have a crowne a daie,
'Halfe a crowne Ile give his sonne,
'That was fore a shoott he sente
'Sir Andrew Barton with his gunee.
'Horsley, right Ile make the a knight,
'In Yorkshiere shall thy dwellinge be;
'My Lord Charlles Howwarde shall be an earle,
'And soe was never Howward before,' quoth he.

'Everye Englishe man shall have eightten pens a daie
'That did mainetayne his feight soe free,
'And everye Scotchman a shillinge a daie,
'Till they come atte my brother Jamie, Jamiee.'

AN ATTEMPT AT A GLOSSARY OF THE NORTHERN WORDS IN THE PUBLICATIONS OF THE SURTEES SOCIETY, WITH ADDITIONS FROM OTHER NORTHERN SOURCES.

A. *ā, num.* = **One,** *ae* (Jamieson); now often *yā* in Yorkshire. *Cleveland Gloss.*

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 2. 'Even & morne maide is this a day, so was the tothere.'

1420. *S.S.* lxxxv. 16, *York.* 'Betwix a tenement of Sir John of Langton . . of the a party, & a tenement of William Selby . . of the other partye.'

Sæc. xvi. (?). *The Cleveland Lykewake Dirge*:

'This a nighte, this a nighte
Every nighte and alle,
Fire and Fleet, & Candle-light
And Christ receive thy saule.'

Sæc. xvii. (?). *Old Northumberland rhyme:*

'Tweed says to Till, "What gars ye rin sae still?"
Till says to Tweed, "What gars ye rin wi' speed?
Though ye rin wi' speed, & I rin sla,
Where ye droon a man, I droon twa."'

A. *ā, pron.* etc. i. = **He**; *Craven Gloss.* ii. = **The.**

i. 1503. *Plumpton Corr.* 180. 'He desireth you to be his gud master, and beare him out, that a be not vexed nor trobled therfore.'

ii. 1612. *York House Book*, xxxiii. 310. A man says, 'What a devill are they? I have xx li. to spend.'

A. *int.* The modern **Ah,** pron. *ā*; *Cleveland Gloss.*

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 229. 'A the more I loke thereon, a the more I thynke I fon.'

1649–50. *S.S.* xl. 29. A woman from Bolling, W. R. Y., being told that a woman had died two years before, said, 'A, mother, but she never rests.'

A. *vb.* etc. = **Ha,** a worn-down form of **Have:** or **As** (M.); *Jamieson.*

1485. *York House Book*, v. 41. 'As to the Article that wher Sir Thomas Broghton shold of late a ben [i.e. *have been*] at Ravenglasse, he not yat denyed.'

1490. *Plumpton Corr.* 94. 'Syr, a for [i.e. *as for*] the arbage, dout yt not.'

1540. *Churchwdns Accts, St. Mich. Spurriergate, York.* 'A pare of glovys for ye underclerk for syngyng of "a mynd off me" [i.e. *Have mind of me*] ij d.'

1596. *Raine's North Durham*, xlvi. *Lr of Sir John Carey.* 'I wold ghadlie a [i.e. *have*] gotten them all four togeither.'

A. B. C. *sb.* i.e. an Alphabet Book. Lat. *Abecedarium*, still often called an A-B-C book.

1577. *S.S.* xxvi. 269. *Inv. of Thos. Pasmore of Richmond.* 'xij A. B. C. books, vj d.'

1578. *Id.* 277, 279. *Inv. Jas. Buckhouse of Kendal.* 'xv Englishe A. B. Sis, vij d. Absis and Catechismies viij d.'

1597. *S.S.* xxxviii. 282. *Inv. of John Farbeck of Durham.* 'vij Accidences, xxx A. B. Cies, etc., viij s.'

1616. *Inv. of John Foster of York, bookseller.* 'Twelve A. B. Ces, iij d.'

Abaisance, *sb.* Obedience, subjection. Old French *abaissance* (M.).

c. 1520. *Lr from Ld Ducre to Wolsey, Caligula*, B. i. 7. 'Whereby thay may kepe the hole country of the Marche in abaysaunce, that thai maye do anoysaunce to the Duk.'

Abased, *pple.* Lowered. Perhaps from Old French *abaissier* (M.); *Jamieson.*

1580. *S.S.* xiv. 31. *Lr to Sir Robert Bowes.* 'You may by some apt meanes bringe to passe the credit that D'Abigny is lately growen unto may be abased.'

1637. *York House Book*, xxxv. 336. The Corporation 'to goe to the Minster tomorrow and have the sword and mace borne abased.'

Abash, *vb.* Cf. **Abaisance** and **Abased.** To ashame, or cast down. *Jamieson.*

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 37. 'He wold be abast now.'

1655. *Treatise of the Four Last Things by Simon Birckbeck of Gilling, near Richmond*, 62. 'And were it so their whole life were laid open in the presence of men and angels, yet this could not abash them.'

Abasing, *sb.* Depreciating, debasing. Cf. **Abased,** etc.; *Jamieson.*

155 . *York House Book*, xx. 74. 'An untrewe & slanderouse rumour was rysen & sprede abrode w'in this citie concernyng a further abacyng of testons.'

Abate, Abated, *vb.* and *pple.* To reduce, lose. Old Fr. *abatre* (M.).

1511–12. *Northumberland Household Book, ed. Nicolas*, 69. 'They to be abayted for theire

absence of the somme allowed' [i.e. *have their wages reduced*].

1632. *Michl Stanhope's Cures without Care. York.* 'The other abates much of its native taste being brought to the citty' [i.e. *the water loses its taste*].

1655. *Treatise of the Four Last Things, by Simon Birckbeck of Gilling, near Richmond*, 156. 'The defective supplied, and the superfluous abated.'

1736. *Drake's Eboracum*, 181. 'Of late years that custom was abated to twice a week.'

Abbathy, *sb.* An abbacy, or abbey. Lat. *abbathia* in thirteenth cent. Cf. *S.S.* lxvi. 4.

1583. *S.S.* xiv. 560. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'The Duke's children should be recompensed with the abbathy of Pasley.'

Abbet, Abbit, *sb.* Old form of **Habit.**

i. A particular dress or costume. Cf. *S.S.* xxx. 174; liii. 237, 312; lxxiv. 183; lxxix. 253.

ii. A body of persons who wear a particular dress. Cf. *S.S.* liii. 244; xxxv. 268.

Abbotlaf, *sb.* A loaf given by the abbot of St. Mary's, York, as part of a corrody.

1374–5. *Chest of Mercht. Advrs. York.* . . . William the Abbat & the Convent of Yk grant to Margt wife of Thos Tendman of Yk, if she overlive her husband, a corrody for life, per day of 'unum panem album vocatum miche, & unum panem nigrum vocatum Abbotlaf, & duas lagenas cerevisiæ conventualis, & foditionem turbarum j. hominis in turbaria de Fulford' for 2 days. For similar corrodies of loaves, etc., cf. *S.S.* lxxxiii. 349 *et seq.* At Rievaulx there was a kind of ale called Abbot's ale, distinct from the Convent ale, which was given to pensioners. Cf. *S.S.* lxxxiii. 355; cf. CORRODY.

Abbotship, *sb.* The office or place of Abbot.

1536. *S.S.* xlii. 286. Marm. Abbot of Fountains, writing to Cromwell, says, 'I have raither wyll to resigne the abbotship then my prebend.'

Abearance, *sb.* Deportment, behaviour. From *abear*, Old Engl. (M.).

1645–6. *York House Book*, xxxvi. 175. Mr. Robert Harrison adm. schoolmaster, 'during his good behaviour and abearance.'

Abearing, *sb.* Bearing, behaviour. From *abear*, Old Engl. (M.).

1523. *York House Book*, ix. 73. 'He were not of good abberryng unto thaym as he aught to be.'

1636. *N. Riding Record Soc.* iv. 52. Marm. Danby of Aiskew, gen., to enter bond 'for his good abearing for a year.'

1649. *Assize Papers, York Castle.* Richard Robinson of Thicket binds a man over to 'be of a good abearing towards the keepers of the liberties of England.'

Abell, *sb.* Probably **Abel.** The name given to a cup in the Refectory at Durham in 1446. 'Murra larga et magna, vocata Abell, sine cooperculo' (*S.S.* ix. cclxxxix.). In the same place there was a cup called 'Herdwyke,' and another called 'Beda,' or Bede.

Cups were sometimes named after some previous owner or place, *e.g.* in 1397 the Prior of Finchale had a cup of murray 'vocatum ciphum Godrici,' the patron saint of the place. In 1411 this appears in the Inv. as 'ciphus murreus ornatus argento et auro, vocatus Goderik' (*S.S.* vi. cxviii. clvi.). In 1414 Beatrix Lady Roos leaves to Wm. Lord Roos, her son, 'unum ciphum argenti cum coopercculo, vocatum Fawconberge' (*S.S.* iv. 377). In 1436 John Lord Greystock leaves to his eldest son 'maximum ciphum argenti cum coopertorio, vocatum le Chartre de Morpath' (*S.S.* ii. 85). In 1449 Sir John Neville leaves to the place where he shall be buried 'a standyng cuppe, silver & giltt, callide ye Kataryne, & tharof to mak a chalis' (*S.S.* xxx. 147). A cup, called the Constable cup, which had, no doubt, belonged to some ancient constable of Richmond Castle, appears in early wills of the Lords Scrope of Bolton (*S.S.* ii. 275, 329). In 1420 Richard Lord Scrope desires that it may be made into a chalice (*S.S.* liii. 3).

Abhorreful, *a.* Abominable, to be abhorred. Connected with Latin *abhorrere.*

c. 1630. *Rich. Garbutt, of Leeds, Sermons*, 132. 'The odious, abominable, abhorreful nature of this sin.'

Abide, *vb.* Old Engl. *abidan* (M.). In *Cursor Mundi*, with perf. *abade.* i. To bear or last out. ii. To tolerate; cf. *Whitby* and *Cleveland Gloss.* iii. To await.

i. 1605. *Eccl. Proc. at Durham, Northallerton.* 'She was so sicke she could not abyde.'

. . 1668. *Depositions in York Castle.* A man is killed at Kildale in Cleveland. He said 'that Ann Corner strocke him on the short ribbes with her foote that he was not able to abide.'

ii. 1495. *York House Book*, vii. 135. 'They wold abyd ye rewle of my Lord Maier.'

. . *c.* 1590. *S.S.* xv. 52. *Rites of Durham.* Dean Whittingham 'could not abyde anye auncyent monuments.'

iii. 1468. *Reg. iii. Parv. Pr. & Conv. Durham*, 139. 'Dan Ric' Billingham . . lith sore seke, abiding ye mercy of Almighty God.' Cf. *S.S.* lxxix. 89.

. . *c.* 1510. *Inscr. on roof of High Chamber at Leckonfield E. R. Y.* 'Esperaunce in hasty advengynge of thy will. Nay wysdome bidithe the abyde and be still.'

Abiliments, *sb.* An old form of **Habiliments.** Materials, supplies, equipment. Cf. *Raine's North Durham*, 11; and *S.S.* xxvi. 85.

Ability, *sb.* Means or wealth, not power of mind. Lat. *Habilitas. Hability* is the earlier form. Cf. *S.S.* xxxviii. 8; xxix. 185. 'Every man according to his ability' (Acts xi. 29).

1602. *N. R. Y. Record Soc.* ii. 316. 'Thos. Simpson, of Beedclam, in Hemsley parish, having had his house latelie burnt, and all his houshold stuff, which was his whole abilitie.'

1613. *S.S.* xlii. 350. *Will of John Gill of Nidderdale.* To be bur. at Midlesmore 'according to his ability, as law requireth.' Cf. *S.S.* xxxiii. 89.

1638. *Yks. Arch. Journal*, pt. xix. 37-8. *Al-*

mondbury. 'The saide Walker hath a farme and some abilities of his owne.'

1655. *The Four Last Things, by S. Birckbeck of Gilling, near Richmond*. 'If God have blissed thee with ability, bestow some portion thereof to pious uses.'

Able, *adj.* Sufficient, fit for use, sound. Lat. *habilis*.

1510. *S.S.* xxxv. 264. *Ampleforth, N. R. Y.* 'Fenestræ vitreæ cum coopertura . . non sunt sufficientes, viz. abill.'

1510. *Id.* p. 266. *Bramham, W. R.* 'We shall maik all thynges abill wt ye grace of God.' Cf. *S.S.* lxxix. 168.

1521. *Raine's North Durham*, 295. *Norham Castle*. 'As for bowes, ther is none but only xltl which is of none effect, x of them not able.'

1534–5. *York Chamberlain's Book*. The Bakers present John Elden 'for sellyng whyte caykes, not able brede, nor holsom.'

ii. —— *adj.* With means, well-to-do people. *Brockett*, *Teesdale*, and *Cleveland Gloss*.

1641. *S.S.* xxxiii. 87. *East Riding Yks.* 'The reason why these bills are given in is to shewe . . whoe are the ablest men in each towne, & wheather they bee rated in lands or in goods.'

iii. —— *adj.* Competent to practise a trade as a master. *Habilis* (Reg. Civ. Ebor. A.; cf. 72, sæc. xv.). A common term in York. *Inhabilis* = unable.

1503. *York House Book* ix. 1. 'The said foren shall be examyned by the sersours . . and iiij maisters, whether he be able & connyng in the said craft or not. And if he be found able, then he to pay for his entre . . x s.'

Abled, *p. pple.* from *v.* **Able**. Said of an apprentice, or new-comer, being warranted and declared fit to practice a trade. *Habilis approbatus. Habilem approbare* (Reg. Civ. Ebor. A. Y. 72, sæc. xv.).

1410. *Reg. Civ. Ebor.* i. 277. 'To set uppe & occupy als maistre in the said crafte before he be serched & abled.'

1471–2. *Id.* 285*a*. 'So put, abled, & admitted.'

Ables, *sb.* = Naples. A kind of fustian woven at Naples. Cf. Rock's *Textile Fabrics*.

1498. *S.S.* liii. 158. *Will of Robert Calverley, of Calverley, W. R. Y.* 'To Sir Robert Wamberslay a blake gown lined with fustyan in abills.'

1532. *S.S.* xviii. 64. *Durham*. 'In v½ fushaynenables emptis . . in Novo Castro ij s j d. In v½ ulnis fushaynenables emptis ix s ij d.'

1558. *S.S.* ii. 182–3. *Inv. of Sir Thos. Hilton, co. Durham*. 'One cupbord cloth of fusshing Naples. Two cupbord clothes of reid fusshene Naples.' Cf. *id.* 201, 253, 347, 380; xxxviii. 155.

Abling, *sb.* The being declared fit to practise a trade by the searchers of the trade-guild. The start in business was called the 'upset' at York in the fifteenth century.

1503. *York House Book*, ix. 1. 'Every apprentice or forendre, at what tyme as he is abled by the serchours & iiij^th^ men, & shall set up & occupie as a maister, to gyff to the said craft ij s for a brekfaste for levyng theyr occupacion & besynes abowt, & for their ablyng.'

1606–7. *Id.* xxxlii. 60. 'Agreed that Robert Casson, goldsmith, shall have tyme to make an hableinge pece of worke . . and it to be brought to the Lord Maior to viewe and see if the same be workmanlie & artificiallie done.' (If satisfactory, the maker was to be made free of the city.)

Abolishment, *sb.* Abolition. Prob. Fr. *abolissement* (M.).

1563. *Border Laws, in Nicolson's Leges Marchiarum*, 127. 'Yet intend we not thereby to make derogation or abolishment of the Laws & Customs of the Marches.'

Abon, Abone, Aboon, Aboven, Abowne, Abune, *adv.* Above. Old Engl. *Aboven* is the form in the *Cursor Mundi*, where it occurs five times, and *oboven* once. *Abowryne, abone, abow, abufin* (Jamieson); *aboon* (Brockett); *aboon, abune* (Teasdale); *aboon* (Swaledale, Whitby, and Craven); *aboon, abune* (Cleveland).

1412. *Contract for Catterick Church, N.R.Y.* 'The hight of the walles of the quere sall be above the grounde twenty fote, with an alnryng abowne.' Cf. *York Myst. Plays*, p. 4.

1420. *S.S.* ii. 63. *Will of Sir John Lumley, co. Durham*. 'Yat yis aboven-written is my last wille.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 196. 'In clowdys from abone.'

Sæc. xv. *Nassington's MS. Poem*, 158:

'So passes merey yat be clene,
Aboven all other vertues that ben.'

1458–9. *S.S.* xxx. 222. *Will of Sir Thos. Chaworth, co. Notts.* 'Of the age of xxij yere or aboon.'

1466. *Id.* 285. *Will of Lady Eure of Malton*. 'The residue of my goodes aboun not legate.'

1472. *S.S.* xlv. 205. *Pontefract*. 'That at is takyn of his lyvelod abune his fyndyn.'

1475. *York City Reg.* B. ii. 147. 'The xvth yere of Kinge Edward the iiijt alle abon saide.'

c. 1500. *Roof of St. Mary's, Beverley* (Poulson, 739). 'Mayn in thy lyffyng, lowfe God abown all thyng.' Cf. *S.S.* xxxv. 280; liii. 29; lxxix. 151.

1685. *Meriton's Yorkshire Ale*, etc. 62. 'Something that's good to keep our hearts aboon.' Cf. *Hist. of Hemingbrough*, 42.

Abound, *vb.* To bound upon, touch. *Abunda* is a boundary, sæc. xiii. (Marske in Swaledale, 49), so there must have been a *sb.* abound.

1421. *Contract about a house in York, etc., at Arncliff Hall*. 'A place yat liges in Saynt Michell Kirkgarth in Conyng stret in Yorke, als it abowndes, etc.'

1494. *S.S.* liii. 97. Agnes Mauers, of York, mentions in her will 'iiij honses, with ij garthinges abounding on the layn ende.' One of them 'abowndes vpon the high strete of Walmegate.'

Aboutward, Aboutwards, *adv.* i. about; ii. ready, on the move, eager.

i. 1602. *Eccl. Depositions at York*. Francis Hobson said 'His father was aboutwarde to buyld a house at Wadley' (W. R. Y.).

. . 1646. *Eccl. Deps. Durham*. A testatrix at

Durham called a person 'to bear witness of the Will which she was aboutward to make.'

ii. 1465. *S.S.* xii. 203. *Norham.* 'The which . . have ben abouteward to distresse every mandatary.'

. . 1474-5. *S.S.* ix. cccl v. *The Prior of Durham*, writing to the Bishop, calls himself and his monks 'your childer . . always besy and aboutward, both day and night.'

. . 1500. *York House Book*, viii. 78. The Abbot of St. Mary's, writing to the Lord Mayor, says, 'I and my bredre disyre you to doe me "neither hurte ne damage, ne be not aboutewardes to make our grounde to be yours."'

Abridge, *vb.* To reduce, deprive. Old Fr. *abregier* (M.).

1394. *S.S.* iv. 186. *Will of John Croxton, of York.* 'In kase he yat yis witword will noght perfurnysche, I will it be abryged (*i.e.* that the amount given in legacies be reduced).

1582. *S.S.* xvii. 62. *Lr to Dean and Chapter of York.* 'His Majestie . . thought it strange that he should be abridged of any commoditie' (*i.e.* to lose, or not get the full amount).

Abroche, *adv.* Abroach, or a going. From a barrel being on the tap, or run. Old Fr. *abrochier* (M.).

1580. *S.S.* xiv. 31. *Lr to Mr. R. Bowes.* 'The Quene's Majestye, foreseeinge that the broyles lately set abroche . . may prove to some dangerous yssue.'

Absolement, Assolement, *sb.* Absolution. Fr. *assoillement, absolir* (M.); Lat. *absolvere.*

1515. *S.S.* lxxiv. 332. *Ripon.* 'I desire for God sake to be assoled of my lord of Fontaunce, and (he) to have for the assolment iij s. iiij d.'

1531. *S.S.* lxxix. 305. *Will of Geo. Fuister, of Kirkham, Yks.* 'To my Lord Prior iij s. iiij d. for my assolment.'

1535. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* xi. 176. Will of John Herde, of Hackness, E. R. Y. 'To my Lord Abbot, for my absolement, iij s. iiij d.'

Absolutely, *adv.* Decisively. Lat. *absolute.*

1591. *Eccl. Proc. at Durham . . Plawsworth.* A witness says, 'She thinketh that the said Robert ment that the words should stand for his will, for that he did absolutely speak the same.'

Abusion, *sb.* Misuse, misapplication. Old Fr. *abusion* (M.); Lat. *abusio.*

c. 1580. *Surtees' Durham*, i. 131. 'The miserable abusyon of lands and goods given unto the hospital of Sherburn.'

Abuttated, *p. pple.* From *v.* Abuttate, to abut, to touch. Having had the points of contact settled. Old Fr *abouter*; Lat. *abuttare.*

1569. *Arch. Æl. n. s.* xiii. 110. *Survey of Byrrell and Bolbeck, Northd.* 'The said two baronies or lordships are thus abuttated.'

Abye, *vb.* To take the consequences of; pay for it. Old Engl. *Jamieson* and *Brockett.*

Sæc. xiv. *York Mystery Plays*, 31. 'And that mon ye full dere abye.'

c. 1460. *S.S.* iii. 15. 'We, yea, that shalt thou sore abite.'

Sæc. xv. *Poem on the Trinity, by Wm. Nassington, of York, MS. Stowe*, 753, f. 142 b.:

'And yat he sall full dere abye,
Bot he amende here yat foly.'

1527. *Eccl. Proc. York.* John Leutwhaite, of Tickhill, charges Nic. Kendal, clerk, with saying, 'False horeson, thou shalte not commande me to make any heges or gappis, and yf thou dare tare me, thou shalt abye.'

Acate, *sb.* Cates or provisions purchased. Old Fr. *acat, achat* (M.). The buyer was called a **cater** or **caterer,** and his store-room a **catery.** Cf. *Northumbd. Household Book*, ed. *Nicolas*, 26, 35, 45, 102; and *S.S.* x. cxxxviii.–ix.

1511–12. *Northumberland House Book*, 71. 'The saide officer . . shall brynge my Lord a bill of the names of such fresh acaytts in flesh or fish.'

1633–4. *S.S.* lxviii. 305. *Ld. Wm. Howard's Accompt Book.* 'For fresh acates at Arundell house,' etc.

Access, *s.* An attack of the ague. Old Fr. *acces* (M.).

Sæc. xv. *Poem to St. Leonard, in Halliwell's Yorkshire Anthology*, 278. 'Helpe feverous folk that tremble in ther accesse.'

Acclaim, *vb.* To lay claim to. Lat. *acclamare. Acclame* (Jamieson).

1534. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* xi. 116. Thos. Johnson, of Grassington, in his will, desires 'nether my elder son nor his broder to acclame any of my fermhold.'

Accompany, *sb.* Company, or Companions. Fr. *accompagner.*

1496. *York House Book*, viii. 16. 'When Maier sends theym word, the shireffis shall, wt theyr accompanyes, come presently unto Mayer's dwellyng place.'

Accomplishure, *sb.* Accomplishment. Lat. *accomplere.*

1471. *S.S.* xii. 220. *Lr to the King of Scotland* 'The Blessid Trinite have you evir in his keping, and send you th' accomplisshur of your full noble desires.'

Accord, *sb.* Settlement, agreement. Old Fr. *acord, acorde* (M.).

1447. *Reg.* iii. *Parv. Pr. & Conv. Durham*, 14. Letter to R. Wetwang, 'to mete at Alverton to make a full acorde betwix thaym of all maters.' Cf. *S.S.* xii. 134.

1454. *Domesday Book, D. & C. York*, 133. *Deed of Pr. & Conv. of Pontefract* . . 'To fulfill this acord both ye parties have graunt y' to scalis.'

Accord, *vb.* To agree upon, to agree. Old Fr. *acorder* (M.).

1420. *S.S.* ii. 63. *Will of Sir John Lumley.* 'If it be soe yat ye forsaide Wodcock and myne executours maye not accorde, I wille,' etc. Cf. Raine's *North Durham*, 289.

1454. *Domesday Book, D. & C. York*, 132. *Indent. Pr. & Conv. of Pontefract.* 'Ye parties beforseid be acordyd.'

1523. *York House Book*, x. 63. 'It is accordyd, enactyd, fermely hereafter to be observed.'

1571. *S.S.* xxxviii. 9. *Will of Bp. Pilkington.* 'If the same accorded marriage doe take effecte.' Cf. *S.S.* xiv. 51.

Accordment, *sb.* Agreement, concord. Old Fr *acordement* (M.).

1410. *Reg.* i. *Civ. Ebor.* 277. 'Thay ware

fully accorded of the poyntes, & the variance betwix the said craftes, & thair accordement was this.'

Accouple, *vb.* To couple. Old Fr. *acopler* (M.).

1485–6. *Plumpton Corr.* 50. *Lr from Tho. Betanson.* 'I send a pauper of the Rosery of our Lady of Coleyn, and I have registered your name with both my Ladis' names, and ye be acopled as brether and sisters.'

Accrin, Ac-corn, Akcorn, *sb.* An acorn. Old Engl. *ackern* (Brockett), *acrun* (Teesdale), *ac-corn* (Cleveland). *A accorn, glans* (Durham, MS. Gloss. *c.* 1500). Sometimes an ornament on the knop of a spoon. 'Coclearia argenti cum glandibus in nodis' (*S.S.* ix. cclxxxvii.). Cf. also *S.S.* xxx. 74.

1392. *S.S.* iv. 177. *Will of Robert Usher of East Retford.* 'Domino Roberto Cave . . sex coclearia argentea cum acrinsse de auro.'

1472. *S.S.* lxxxv. 26. *Selby.* 'Thar sall no man geder non akcornes in the comone wod.'

1558. *S.S.* ii. 173. *Will of R. Benett of Durham.* 'To Mr. Christofer Chayter one silver spone gilt, with an accorne on the head.'

Accroach, *vb.* To encroach. Old Fr. *acrocher* (M.). Lat. *accrochiare* (Wansford, E. R. Y., 1573).

Sacc. xv. *MS. Lr from Prior of Durham to . .* 'We are enfourmed yat certeyn of our tenantz of Brakenholme has accroched and approwed yaim of our waste yare.'

Accumbered, *p. pple.* Encumbered.

1494. *Reg. Parv. Prior. Dunelm. Letter from Prior to Bp. of Bath & Wells.* 'The livelode of the mouasterii is by diverse partiez withdrawyn & accombred.'

Accustom, *vb.* To make a custom of, to do customarily. Old Fr. *acostumer*: Lat. *accostumare* (M.).

1511–12. *Northumbd Household Book, ed. Nicolas,* 336. 'My Lorde usith & accustomyth yerely . . to caus to be delyvered,' etc.

Accustom, *sb.* Custom, usage.

Sacc. xv. *Oath of the Sheriffs of York.* 'All ye fraunchises, & liberties, usagez, & accustoumez . . ye sal save & maynteyne.'

1529. *S.S.* lxxix. 100. *Will of John Fox, of Topcliffe, clerk.* 'I bequeith for my mortuarie my best gode, according to th' accostome.'

Accustom, Accustomed, *a.* = i. accustomed, usual; ii. frequented, with a good custom or trade.

i. 1504. *York House Book,* ix. 9. 'He wold not come and take his othe accustome.'

ii. 1736. *Drake's Eboracum,* 280. 'Here is, also, an old accustomed inn at the sign of the Elephant.'

Accustomable, *a.* Customary, usual.

1511–12. *Northumbd Household Book, ed. Nicolas,* 331. 'Which be ordymary and accustomable payments.'

1543. *York House Book,* xix. 13. 'One annuytie of xij li., parcell of the accustomable fee.'

Accustomably, *adv.* According to custom or habit.

1541. *York House Book,* xv. 11. 'Wm. Newsom, loksmyth, oppnyd the rowndc box where the Common Seyll hathe been kept accustomably.'

c. 1573. *SS.* xxvi. 280. 'The inhabitants of St Margaret's, Durham, withdrewe ther accustomed dewties . . which hath been accustomable paid.'

1597. *Bossewell's Workes of Armorie,* pt. ii. 17*a*. 'This tree accustomably groweth in sandy places.'

Accustomly, *adv.* According to custom.

1540–1. *Will of Humphr. Gascoign of Barnborough, in Archb. Lee's Register.* 'To every scholer, havinge surplesse, accustomlye usinge the quere, j d.'

Achen, *pron.* Each one; or, as a Yorkshireman would say, 'Each yan.'

1543. *S.S.* xxvi. 37. *Wm. Allanson of Cundall's Will.* 'Achen off thame to have one why strik.'

Achesoun, *sb.* The cause or reason. Old Fr. '*Ne querez achaisun.*' *S.S.* xvii. l. 303.

Sacc. xv. *York Mystery Plays,* 121. 'I sall you tell achesoune why.'

Acker, *sb.* Probably = **Aigre,** a Northern word for vinegar; cf. **Alicer.** It might be **Ochre.**

1578. *S.S.* xxvi. 277. *Jas Backhouse of Kirkby in Lonsdale, Inv.* 'In ginger, goles, acker, sope and glew, viij s. iiij d.'

Acquitting, *sb.* Releasing. Old Fr. *aquiter*; Lat. *acquietare* (M.).

1502. *S.S.* lxxix. 3. *Will of Lady Greystock.* 'The residue to be disposed for my soule . . in doynge of Masses, acquitinge of pouer prisoners oute of prison,' etc.

Acredance, *sb.* Credence, credit.

1490. *Morehouse's History of Kirkburton, W. R. Y.* 63. 'For mor acredance herof to be had to yis our wryteyng indented, we, ye said Kirkgraves, hath set our sealys.'

Acre-tale, *sb.* Acreage, by count or tale of acres.

1638. *Yk. Arch. Journal,* v. 385. *Cudworth W. R. Y.* 'Assesments to be hereafter accordeinge to the quantitie & quallitie of the lande made by acre tale.'

Acton, Aketon, Haketon, etc., *sb.* Old Fr. *auqueton* (M.). A padded or quilted jacket for defence, sometimes covered with plates of metal.

1314. *SS.* ii. 18. *Inv. Sir John Marmaduk of Horden co. Durham.* 'j aketon coopertum cum viridi samet, xl s. j aketon rubeum cum manicis de balayn, xl s.'

1350. *SS.* iv. 62. *Will of Sir Gilbert de Aton co. York.* 'Une aeketon que jeo ay done a Roger mon chambreleyn.'

1367. *Status Domus de Holy Island.* 'In camera iij bacinettes . . vij actons.'

Sacc. xv. *York Myst. Plays,* 424. 'Myne actone covered all with white.'

Adawds, *adv.* In pieces.

1685. *Meriton's Yorkshire Ale, etc.* 41. 'And then I'se scaur weese rive up all adawds.'

Addle, *vb.* To earn. Old Engl. *Brockett, Teesdale, Swaledale, Craven, Hallamshire, Cleveland, and Whitby Glossaries.*

c. 1460. *S.S.* iii. 195. 'He has adyld his ded, a kynge he hym calde.'

1620. *Eccl. Proc. Durham.* A Newcastle woman says 'She never did as some did that aidled a gowne and a petticote.'

1681. *Trial of Thos. Thwing at York*, p. 11. A witness says, 'He would give me more then I could addle in seven years.'

1685. *Meriton's Yorkshire Ale, etc. ed.* 1685, p. 61. 'What little stock hes thou? I knaw thou's addled some with driveing plew.'

Addling, *sb.* Earnings. *Brockett, Teesdale, Swaledale, Craven, Hallamshire, Whitby, and Cleveland Glossaries.*

1754. *Snaith Marsh* (*W. R. Y.*), *A Poem.* 'My addlings wared, and yet my rent to pay.'

Adeal, *adv.* A deal, *i.e.* much.

Sæc. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 49. 'Now, dame, the thar not drede adell.'

Adjoin, *vb.* To join on to; to be next to. Old Fr. *ajoindre* (M.); Lat. *adjungere.* 'Accede, et adjunge te ad currum istum.'

c. 1530. *Arch. Æl. n. s.* i. 93. *Survey of Berwick-on-Tweed.* 'Frome thend of the said wawll . . adjoned to the castell.'

1580. *S.S.* xiv. 104. *Ly from Sir R. Bowes.* 'He myndeth not to adjoyne himself to any that maye be prejudiciall to her highnes service.'

c. 1590. *S.S.* xv. 3. *Rites of Durham.* 'At the west end of thir shrine . . was a little altar adjoyned to it.'

1621. *Arch. Æl. n. s.* i. 201. *Contract for building Dilston Hall.* 'The wall of the thirde story . . must adjoyne with the hewen porch.'

Adjudge, *vb.* To sentence. Old Fr. *ajuger* (M.); Lat. *adjudicare.*

1546. *York House Book*, xviii. 69. 'Thare was two tailours that came from London . . and was accused and indictyd of herysy and heronyos oppynyons concernyng the Blyssyd Sacrament of the Alter, and theruppon they were comytt to prison to the Shyrryffes' Kydcote, beyng condempnyd, and also adjugyd to be brynt.'

Admit, *vb.* To consider, account. Lat. *admittere.*

1512. *S.S.* lxxix. 30. *Will of Henry Carnbull, Archdeacon of York.* 'For as much as in my days I have byfore this tyme made diverse testamentes, I will now they all be admittid and stand as voyd.'

Admonishment, *sb.* Admonition. Old Fr. *amonestement* (M.).

1640. *S.S.* lxii. 27. Sir Chr. Wandisford 'laid out his endevors to prevent the falling of them uppon us, by his frequent admonishments and reproofs.'

1677. *Brearly's Bundle of Truths*, 37. *Grindleton in Craven.* 'His maid's admonishment, though basely born.'

Adnichilate, *vb.* and *p. pple.* Make useless. *Nichilate* in *S.S.* xxxviii. 5. From Lat. vb. *adnichilare*, which is used in 12th cent. near Durham (*S.S.* vi. 90), and also in *S.S.* lviii. 231, and at York in 1400 (*Reg. Civ. Ebor. A.* V. 123).

1558. *York House Book*, xxii. 142 'If any of their former ordynances were in any point transposed or adnichilat.'

1583. *Will of Chr. Cokeson of Durham.* 'I adnull and adnihilate all wills,' etc.

Adnullation, *sb.* Old form of **Annullation,** or **Annulling.** Lat. *annullatio*; Fr. *annulation* (M.). *Jamieson.*

1533. *York House Book*, xii. 10. 'Agreed that xxxiij *s.* iiij d. shalbe sent up to Mr. Dogeson and Mr. Newton, to the intent to gitt the adnullacion of ye newe graunt of Hull to be putt in prynte.'

Adnulling, *sb.* An old form of **Annulling.** Cf. *S.S.* ix. ccccliiii.

Adonay, Adonai, *sb.* A Jewish name for Jehovah.

1421. *Archbp. Bowett's Reg.* i. 376. *Will of Nich. Cooke of Tickhill.* 'Luminari in eadem ecclesia vocato Adonay, v s.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 35. 'Adonay, thou God veray.'

Adornaments, *sb.* *See* **Anornaments.**

Adread, *a.* Afraid. Old Engl *Adrad* (Jamieson).

Sæc. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 261. 'Abidde as I bidde, and be noght adreed.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 25. 'Thou art alway adred, be it fals or trew.'

c. 1470. *Reg.* iii. *Prior. Dunelm, Letter from Prior to Archbp. of York.* 'I am gretly afferd and adred that,' etc.

Adrigh, *a.* Away, to a distance (M.). Old Engl. *adriech* (Jamieson).

Sæc. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 298. 'Well, Sirs, drawes you adrygh.'

Advail, *sb.* Old form of **Avail:** Old Engl. Cf. *North Durham*, 289.

Advantage, Avantage, Avauntage, *sb.* i. Profit; ii. the excess or surplus. Fr. *avantage*; Lat. *adrantagium.* Cf. *S.S.* vi. xxv. and xxxii. 257. (Finchale and Durham.)

i. 1502-3. *Plumpton Corr.* 174. 'The said Sir John shall be at liberty to take his most avantage.' Cf. *S.S.* xlii. 349, and lxiv. 304.

. . *c.* 1510. *Inscr. at Leckonfield, E. R. Y.* 'Esperaunce in bloode and highe lynage, at moste nede bot esy avauntage.'

ii. 1556. *York House Book*, xxii. 37. The churchwardens of St. Cuthbert's to give every Sunday 'v. penny loves of breade at the founte stone when service is done before none, in the honour of the v woundes of our Lord Jhesus Christe, & the vj^th^ pennye loffe, with the halfe pennye, beinge the advauntage of the said half dossen of brede, shall goe towardes the dischargeing of the Holye Bread.'

Advantage, Avantage, *vb.* Cf. *Plumpton Corr.* 129.

Advenging, *sb.* Old form of **Avenging.** Old Fr. *avengier.*

c. 1510. *Inscr. on roof of High Chamber at Leckonfield, E. R. Y.* 'Esperaunce in hasty advengynge of thy will; nay, wysdome biddithe the abyde and be still.'

Adventure, Aventure, *sb.* A dangerous enterprise. Old Fr. *aventure* (M.).

Sæc. xv. *Inscr. on Encaustic Tile in York Museum.* 'And ev' hit avail the, hit is but aventure.'

1460. *Reg. Cir. Ebor. A. V.* 289. 'And to com to this at thair aventour.'

1520. *S.S.* lxxix. 89. *Inscr. at Flambro', E. R. V.* 'Here lieth Marmaduke Constable of Flaynborght, knyght, who made adventour into France for the right of the same.'

Adventure, Aventure, *vb.* To venture, or risk. Old Fr. *aventurer* (M.).

c. 1530. *Arch. Æl. n.s.* i. 92. *Survey of Berwick-on-Tweed.* 'No man dar aventur to lye in the lodginge.' Cf. *S.S.* xiv. 123.

1563. *York House Book*, xxiii. 133. 'My L. Mayor, beyng nowe at malease, dare not adventure forth of his doore.' Cf. *S.S.* xxii. 316.

Adversary, *a.* Adverse. Old Fr. *aversier*; Lat. *adversarius.*

1580. *S.S.* xiv. 39. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'Albeit in most thynges . . they agreed with th' adversarye parte.'

Advisement, *sb.* *See* **Avisement.**

Advocation, *sb.* The next presentation to a benefice, not the Advowson in the usual sense of the word. Lat. *advocatio.*

1514-5. *S.S.* lxxix. 57. *Will of Sir R. Bigod, of Settrington.* 'I have graunted the next advocacion of eny churche in my gyfte to Sir William Spiers, Prior of Gysburn, & Sir Rauff Eury, knight.' Cf. *id.* 264.

Advoidance, *sb.* *See* **Avoidance.** Cf. *S.S.* ix. cclxxvii. and lxxxiv. 182.

Advoiding. *See* **Avoiding.**

Advowess, *sb.* Old form of **Avowess, Vowess.** *Avouer*, Old Fr.

1485. *S.S.* liii. 10. Will of 'Alice Thwates, advoesse, sum tyme wife of Thomas Thwates esquier.'

Adward, *sb.* Old form of **Award.** Fr. *award* (M.).

1515. *York City House Book*, ix. 79. 'Apon payn of forfitour . . that heyreafter brekis this our adward.'

Adward, *vb.* Old form of **Award.** Fr *award* (M.).

1528. *York House Book*, vi. 152. 'They adward and juge.'

Afeard, *ppl. a.* Afraid. Old Engl. *Jamieson, Brockett*, and *Craven Gloss.*

Sæc. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 190. 'Beis noȝt aferde for us in feare.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 28. 'Be not aferd, have done.'

c. 1470. *Reg.* iii. *Prior. Dunelm.* 'I am gretly afferd and adred that,' etc.

c. 1505. *Plumpton Corr.* 218-19. 'Sister, be ye nothing afeard therof.' Cf. *Id.* 218.

1633. *Will of Chr. Hildyard of York.* 'I am not afeard to make a true confession of my Christian faith.'

Afee, *vb.* To give a retaining fee to.

1506. *York House Book*, ix. 37. 'My Lord Maire shewed how that it war a god deid to be acerteyned of a mason . . and to be afeyd with this cite.' On Dec. 1, 1508, Alex. Wilson, mason, is hired with a fee of 8*s.*

Affect, *vb.* To have an affection or liking for. Fr. *affecter*; Lat. *affectare* (M.).

1604. *Eccl. Proc. Durham, Ravensworth.* 'The said Agnes did affect the said Martin.'

1639. *Sir H. Slingsby's Diary*, 45. 'I shall ever dissuade my son from affecting building.'

c. 1640. *W. Lawson's New Orchard, etc., ed.* 1648, p. 32. 'Unlesse you be especially affected to some other kinds.'

1640. *Rastrick. Yorks. Arch. Journal*, v, 402. 'Affecting an other trade more than husbandrye.'

Affectuously. Earnestly or kindly. Fr. *affectueux* (M.).

1460. *Reg.* iii. *Pr. & Conv. Durham. Lr from Prior to Sir John Butler.* 'This mater by your goode discrecion affectuously considerd.'

Afferance, *sb.* Cf. **Affere** and **Affering.**

Affere, Fere, *vb.* To decide on the assessment or value of. Old Fr. *afeurer* (M.).

1431-2. *Roll of the Mystery of Mercers, York.* 'Rec^{d} vj s. viij d. of John Tanfeld of arrerage of vj l. . . that he was behynde and noght payde of divers persones that were afferyd in ye tyme of Robert of Yarom, than maister, and before, and hafe noght payde thaire afferaunce.'

1481. *York House Book*, ii. 27. 'The constablery in every parisshe shall gedyr the money afferid.'

1505. *Guild Book of Berwick-on-Tweed*, i. 1. 'The ordynances, statutes and acts mayde by the Mayre, aldermane, denne, and the xij feryingmen of the sayde gylde.'

Affering, *sb.* Judging as to assessment; revising the decision of a jury, as at Berwick-on-Tweed. Old Fr.

Sæc. xv. *Customs of Burgesses of Malton.* 'Iffe so be y^{t} he apper not after ye seconde assoyn, than schall ye foresayd soyn be turned in to defawte, and he schall be amerced be ye afervng of xij men.'

Affiance, *sb.* Trust, belief. Old Fr. *affiance* (M.).

1455. *S.S.* xxx. 216. *Will of R. Barton, of Kirkby Fleetham, N. R. V.* 'For ye grett treuth and affiunce yat I have in yame.'

1456. *S.S.* xii. 183, *Durham.* 'We bere full trust and affiaunce in you.'

1486. *York House Book*, vi. 17. 'Redowtid in ich region of Criste's affiance.'

1583. *S.S.* xiv. 396. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'Having great affiance in the loyalty and obedience of William Steward.' Cf. *SS.* xxii., cxxxvi.

1635. *Will of W. Thompson, of Humbleton, E. R. V.* 'In whome I had & have still a great good hope & fatherly affyance.'

Affinity, *sb.* Body of relations, kith and kin. Old Fr. *affinité*; and Lat. *affinitas* (M.).

c. 1475. *Plumpton Corr.* 34. *Lr from Godf. Greene.* 'To enforme the lords and their counsell of the misgovernances of Gascoin and his affinitie.'

Affluence, *sb.* Wealth, bounty. Fr. *affluence*; Lat. *affluentia* (M.).

1486. *York House Book*, vi. 17. 'Ye be avisid most worthy be graciouse affluence.'

Afforce, *sb.* Force, boldness.

1486. *York House Book*, vi. 17. 'Sub-

mitting it w^t th' afforce and trueth to your excellence.'

Affray, *sb.* i. A fight, or attack. Old Fr. *effrei* (M.). ; Lat. *affraia* (N. R. Record Soc. i. 127). ii. Alarm.

i. 1441. *Plumpton Corr.* lv. *Ripon.* 'The Marchmen were ashamed to come so farr, and not to be noysed with none affray, or they went out of the country.'

. . 1474. *Court Roll of Abbot of Selby.* 'Patryk and James Glover made affray, and outhir drewe blode of othir.'

1503. *York House Book*, ix. 10. 'One Gossell . maid assaut & affray upon the same George, & hym sore hurt & mayhemyd.'

1637. *Surtees' Durham*, iv. pt. i. 75. *Barnard Castle.* 'No constable of this burrow, upon making any affray, blood-sheddinge, or weapons drawne, shall suffer such a person to departe,' etc.

ii. *Sacc.* xv. *S.S.* 63. 'Of all these cares no thyng thay ken, thay feylle noghte of our afray.'

1441. *Plumpton Corr.* lviii. *Ripon.* 'To the great prejudice, hurt, and harme of the said Cardinall and Archbishop, and great affray of the King's people.'

Affray, *vb.* i. To scuffle, enter into a fray. ii. To affright. Old Fr. *afrayer* (M.).

i. 1441. *Plumpton Corr.* lvi. *Ripon.* They 'knew not of them, nor of their great strengthe, till they sodainly mett and affrrayed togeather.'

1589. *Eccl. Proc. Durham, Ponteland, near Newcastle.* 'Hugh Trewhet & the said William Marlew^t did affray togither.'

1597. *Bossewell's Armorie*, 52. 'If they see a man comming against them . . they would not affray him.'

1599. *Sharpe's Hartlepool*, 66. 'Whosoever of this towne that . . smyteth or affrayeth upon anie man . . shall paye x s.'

ii. 1441. *Plumpton Corr.* lxi. *Ripon.* 'The remnant of his said servants (were) greatly affraied, & doubted of their lives.'

1524. *Raine's North Durham*, xiii. *Lr from W. Franklyn to Wolsey.* 'We wish that your Grace wold find meanes that all sacramentes might be denyed to them in Scotlande, which should sorre affray theym.'

1636. *S.S.* lxii. 10, *Ryedale.* 'My father . . was much affreyd att the sudaine accident.'

Affrighting, *p. pple.* Terrifying. Affright is Old Engl.

1595. *York House Book*, xxxi. 69. Anthony Sandwith is charged with menacing Mr. King, 'having his sword in the scabard in his hand in affrighting manner.'

Affrightment, *sb.* Alarm.

Sacc. xvii. *S.S.* l. 237. *Newcastle-on-Tyne.* 'The man reflecting upon what he had done, was struck with affrightment.'

Affy, *vb. obs.* To trust or rely. Old Fr. *afier* (M.).

Sacc. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 374. 'My frendis that in my faith affies.'

1613. *Will of . . Perkinson of Sleningford.* 'I much affie myself in Mr. Heughe Best' just & freindlie dealing.'

A-field, To the field. Old Engl. *Teesdale Gloss.*

1593–94. *S.S.* l. 295. *Newcastle.* 'For carrying the gear a-field, xij d.'

Afore, *adv.* and *prp.* Before. Old Engl. *Teesdale and Craven Gloss.*

1478. *S.S.* ix. ccclxvi. The Prior of Durham says in a letter: 'The mater . . hath be right chargeable to our monastery affor this.'

1501–2. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* Ralph Eyre, of Wickersley, desires 'to be buryede in the kyrke of Saynt Albon, at Wickesley, afore the crucifix.'

1509. *York House Book*, ix. 48. Inv. of Chantry goods in York. 'A veyll mayd with the nedell for to hyng afore the hey altar in Lentt.'

1641. *S.S.* xxxiii. 18. *Best's Farming Book, E. R. Y.* 'The washers are to have warning the night afore.'

1655. *Treatise of the Four Last Things, by Simon Birckbek, of Gilling, near Richmond*, 8vo, p. 147. 'They that afore were most in love with it, list not now look any time on the corps.'

Afore-anents, *adv.* Right in front of. Usually **Foranenst.** Old Engl. words. *Afornens* (Jamieson).

1481. *York City Reg. A. Y.* 352. *Alnwick.* 'We, Sr Henry Percy, lieutenaunt of th'est merches of England affornemptes Scotland.'

Afore-bear, *sb.* Old form of **Forebear.** Ancestor.

1542. *Survey of the Borders.* 'Their predecessours, or afore-bears, have in tyme paste contynually plowed,' etc.

Aforetimes, *adv.* Before.

1441–2. *S.S.* xii. 130. *Durham.* 'As thay have doon afortyme3 in your nobill progenitoures' day.'

c. 1470. *Reg.* iii. *Parv. Pr. and Conv. Durham*, 173. Letter to Archbp. Booth. 'In all thyngis concernyng ye liberte3 . . afforetyme3.'

Afraidness, *sb.* Timidity, fear.

1669. *R. Garbutt, of Leeds, Wks.* p. 226. 'The shyness and afraidness one of another.'

Afrayn, Affrayn, *v.* To inquire of, ask.

Sacc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 328. 'My father wakyd at the laste, and her afraynyd.'

After-bending, *sb.* One of the last parts of the process of making a bow, by a York bower or bowmaker. The various stages were, 'chippyng, thwytyng, dressyng, bendyng, hornyng, boryng, clensyng uppe, after-bendyng, and polyssyng and skynnyng.' The bower was called **Arcularius.** The first bending was to show whether the wood would bend at all.

1419. *Reg. A. Y. Civ. Ebor.* 62. 'Pro after-bendyng cujuslibet centenæ arcuum, xx d.'

After-crop. The grass after mowing, called the *fog.*

1562. *S.S.* xxvj. 160. *Will of Joan Wicliff, of St. Nicolas, near Richmond.* 'To my sonne Thomas Wraye my lease and intrest of the aftercroppe of St. Nycolas feld.'

After-dinner, After-drinkings, After-supper. Used as *sb.* expressing a period of time.

1511–12. *Northumbd. Household Book, ed. Nicolas*, 309. 'My Lorde's servauntes . . may at aftir-dynner go aboute their own business.'

Id. 409. 'The clerke comptroillour shall dailly calle for the keyes of th' officers into the countinghouse at thies houres . . at iij o'th clocke at after-drinkingis be donne, and also every night immediately at after-souper.'

After-logging, *sb.* ? Coarse corn, remnants.

1641. *S.S.* xxxiii. 104. *Emscell, E. R. Y.* 'In many places they grinde after-loggings of wheate for theire servants' pyes.'

After-matches, *sb.* Marriages in subsequent generations.

c. 1600. *Nichols' Topogr. and Genealogist*, ii. 406. *Description of Gisbro' in Cleveland.* 'Whoe (the Bruces) were ancestors to our Kinge, and whose greatnesse in lyvings, and these after-matches in marryage, apeares by the beautye of the monasterye.'

Aftermath, *sb.* The grass in the meadow after the mowing. Cf. Thoresby's 'List of Words sent to Ray.' Cf. **Aftercrop.** The grass which grows after the mowing is called the 'fog' in the North. In the Durham Surveys, *sæc.* xiv., the Latin word for it is *Rewaynum.* Cf. *S.S.* xxxii. 170, 201, 212, 242.

Again, *adv.* 'Back into a former position or state.' Old Engl. (M.).

1484. *S.S.* xlv. 257. William Scargill, Esq., of Lesle Grange, says in his will, 'If God fortune me to cum agayne' (*sc.* to recover).

Again, Agains, *prep.* Against. Old Engl. *Jamieson.*

c. 1415. *Yk. MS. Manual, Minster Library*, xv. m. 4, p. 166. 'All yat is again ye pes, or ye right.'

1455. *Enrolment Book, City of York*, B. 3, 144. *Will of Sir Thos. Fulthorpe, co. Durham.* 'If the said Roger . . be maried agaynes the will & aggrement of the said Margarete.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 326. 'Amende the, man, whils thou art here, agans thou go an othere gate.'

. . *Poem on the Trinity, by Wm. Nassington, of York, MS. Stowe*, 753, 33.

'In yis we aske some steght to se,
Agayne all ille yat may be.'

1499. *York House Book*, viii. 48. 'ij billes of complaynt . . agayn y^e^ Maier & Citicens.'

Againcall, *vb.* To call back, revoke. *Jamieson.*

1442–3. *S.S.* xii. 146. *Deed about Coldingham.* 'It sall be lefull to the said Priour, or his successours, to revoke and agayne call the power.'

Againsay, *vb.* = To gainsay, deny. *Jamieson.*

1428–9. *Reg.* i. *Cit. Ebor.* 256 b. 'Yf he wald agaynesay this.'

Againstand, *vb.* To withstand, oppose. Old Engl.

1477–8. *Orig. Ordinances of the York Weavers.* 'Yf any man be obstacle or agaynstandyng our ordinances, our alderman, etc., shal make,' etc.

Againward, *adv.* In return, or on his return. Old Eng.

c. 1465. *Plumpton Corr.* 14. *Lr from Hugh Pakenham.* 'Trusting that by him againward I shall hastely be ascertained thereof.'

Sæc. xv. *Drake's Eboracum*, 191. *Rules of Sheriffs' Court.* 'In the same manner ward.'

Agate, *adv.* A-going. (*Jamieson*) Brockett Craven, Hallamshire, Cleveland, Whitby.

'I wot not what quaint humour now of late,
To write these numbers, set my pen agate.'
—*Poems by R. Breirly, of Grindleton*, *c.* 1630, *p.* 1.

Agateward, *adv.* Onwards, on the gate or road. *Agaitards* (Craven), *Agaterds* (Hallamshire), *Agaitward* (Jamieson).

c. 1573. *S.S.* xxi. 239. *Ebchester, co. Durham.* 'The said William Hedley came agaytward with the said Agnes.'

1647. *S.S.* lxv. 101. *Hastehead, W. R. Y.* 'I rid with Robert Eyre to Langsett bank agateward homewards.'

Ageman, *sb.* One advanced in years.

1570. *S.S.* xxi. 225. *Newcastle-on-Tyne.* 'William Walker is an aidgeman, & broken in labour.'

Aght', *sb.* Perhaps for **aught,** or **aughtand,** eight, or eighteen. Eels are sold in the North by number and not by weight (J.C.A.).

c. 1400. *Frost's Hull, Appx* 13. 'Pro xij aght' anguillarum, etc. vij s. ij d. ob. q.'

Aght, *vb.* Past tense of **Awe** or **Owe.** Old Engl. *Aigh, aight, aucht* (Jamieson).

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 15. 'I aght the a fowlle dispyte.'

1557. *S.S.* xxvi. 106. *Will of Anne Nicholson of Kendal.* 'I forgyfe Thomas Warcopp half of the monie y^t^ he aght unto my husbande.'

Aglet, *sb.* The metal tag of a lace (formerly called point) (M.). Fr. *aiguillette.* '*It fits to an aglet*' (Swaledale); *aiglet* (Jamieson).

1490. *S.S.* liii. 60. *Inv. of John Colan of York.* 'Pro factione ij præducium, Anglice aglettes, iiij d.'

1508. *S.S.* lxiv. 330. John Preston of Ripon leaves to 'Raufe Battye a par of sylver agglettes gilted.'

1562. *S.S.* ii. 202. Robert, Lord Ogle of Bothal, leaves to Sir Robert Ughtred 'my best velvett gowne, and my capp wth aglettes.'

Agill, *sb.* Old form of **Eagle.** Cf. *S.S.* liii. 259, and ix. cclxxxviii.

Agnell, *sb.* Lambs. From Lat. *agnelli.* 'xx agnelli de exitu istius anni.' Finchale, co. Durham, 1346–7 (*S.S.* vi. xxvi). Agnellatio was the lambing time in co. Durham, 1362 (*S.S.* lxxxii, 173).

c. 1538. *S.S.* xlvi. 167. 'The tithe3 of agnell of all the parishioners within Hexhamshire is worthe by yere lxvj s. viij d.'

Agnus. (i.) A coin with a lamb stamped upon it, or (ii.) a religious symbol in the form of a lamb. 'Unum monile vocatum Agnus Dei' (*S.S.* xxx. 49).

i. 1573. *S.S.* xxvi. 235. Agnes Leavyns, of

Crosthwaite, Westmerland, leaves 'a pece of mony callyd one agous (agnus) y^t I did weare on my hatt.'

ii. 1412. *S.S.* ii. 56. *Inv. of R. de Kirkby, Vicar of Gainford.* 'Unum par de bedes de lambr' et unus Agnus Dei, x s.'

. . 1477. *S.S.* xlv. 237. *Will of R. Andrew, Dean of York.* 'Domino W. Plumpton, militi, illas reliquias quas soleo portare circa collum meum, videlicet, unam crucem auream, et unum Agnus Dei.' Cf. *S.S.* xxx. 122.

. . 1490. *S.S.* liii. 60. *Inv. John Colan of York, goldsmith.* 'Pro factione j le3 Agnus Dei, ij s. vj d. Pro auriatione ponderis ejusdem le3 Agnus, iij d.'

Agone, *adv.* Ago. Old Engl.

1509. *Reg. iv. Parv. Dunelm.* 176. 'Redoubted and fered not long agone.'

Agree, *v.* To please or content. Old Fr. *agréer* (M.).

c. 1490. *Plumpton Corr.* 82. 'The daye's men cannot agre us, so Mr. Mydleton to make the end.'

Agrudges, *sb.* Grudges, points of difference.

1491. *York House Book*, vii. 111. 'Certein matiers of varyance, and aggruges be lately fallen betwixt you.'

Agrudgement, *sb.* A difference; a grudge.

1487. *York House Book*, vi. 54. 'To pacify yaggrugement in this behalve.'

Aguiler, *sb.* A needler. Fr. *aiguille*, a needle.

1296. *York Freemen's Book.* 'Robertus de Knapton, aguiler' free.

1353. *Ibid.* 'Petrus Musket, aguiler' free.

Agy, *adv.* Atwist, awry. *Agee, aglee, agley* (Jamieson); *agee* (Teesdale, Whitby, Cleveland); *aglee, agley* (Brockett); *agee, ague* (Craven).

1685. *Meriton's Praise of Yorkshire Ale*, etc., 59. 'Els he'l leauk all agye when he comes in.'

Aim, *vb.* To intend. *Craven, Whitby and Cleveland Gloss.*

1754. *Snaith Marsh* (*W. R. Y.*). *A Poem.*

'And Roger aims e'er Ladyday to wed.'

Air, *vb.* To be left to grow, and the stock taken off.

1641. *S.S.* xxxiij. 83. *Emswell, E. R. Y.* 'These closes weare . . ayred and kept fresh from Munday the 28th of February til Munday the 4th of Aprill.'

Airing, *sb.* Breathing, taking air into the lungs.

c. 1700. *The Yorkshire Racers: a Poem* (*by Mr. Plarton*), p. 3.

'His feeding's good, his airing's clear and pure;
He moves with order, and his steps are sure.'

Airish, *adj.* Windy, cold. *Jamieson.*

1641. *S.S.* xxxiij. 18. *Emswell, E. R. Y.* 'To have the sheepe ready to throwe into the dyke betwixt 8 and 9 of the clocke; and not afore, because the morninges are airish.'

Aither, Ather, Awther, Ayder, Ayther. Obsolete forms of **Either.** Old Engl. *Aither* (Teesdale); *ather, auther, ayther* (Craven).

Sæc. xv. *York. Myst. Plays*, 7. 'But ather in a kynde courese thaire gates for to go.' And *id.* 52, 'Yf thou fynde awdir lande or tree.'

1412. *Contract for Catterick Church.* 'And aither ele sall be made of breede of elleven fote.'

1439. *Reg. ii. Pr. & Conv. Dunelm*, 102. 'The lenthe of ayther of yaim xvj fote.'

Sæc. xv. *Customs, etc., of New Malton.* 'It was graunted to the burgeses a wast of ather syde of the town.' Cf. *S.S.* iii. 2, and xxi. 109; lxxix. 42.

1493. *York House Book*, vii. 39. *Lr of Prior of Bolton-in-Craven.* 'He was distemperide awther w^t ale or wyne, and was irke of his comppany.' Cf. *S.S.* ix. cccci.; xxx 106.

1498–9. *S.S.* liii. 160. *Wighill.* 'To ayder of them a silver spone.'

1537. *Survey of Bambrough Castle. Newcastle vol. Arch. Institute*, ii. 245. 'The said two chamberys must have two newe royffes of balkes . . for ather of the said two chamberys.'

1541. *S.S.* xxvi. 25. *Will of Thos. Lasynbe par. Bolton-on-Swale.* 'To Jorge my son, and to Jayms my soyn, and to ader of thaym, xl s.'

Ake, *sb.* Old form of **Oak.** Old Engl. *Aik, ayk* (Jamieson); *aik* (Teesdale); *aak, aik* (Craven); *yak* (Whitby and Cleveland).

c. 1200. *S.S.* vi. 106. *Softley, co. Durham.* H. Waleys gives to Finchale Priory 'quatuor acras terræ quæ jacent circa Cat-hol-ake' (*i.e.* a hollow oak haunted by wild cats). In the 15th cent. there was close to Finchale a tree called 'love-ake' (*id.* 118), sacred, no doubt, to sweeter sounds.

1227. *S.S.* xlvi. 92. Archbp. Gray gives to Hexham Priory a right of road 'per medium hayæ nostræ de Ak-wod.'

1374. *Reg. Civ. Ebor. A.Y.* 7. Near Fulford 'est communis pastura civibus Ebor. usque Pele brig, citra le Abbot-ake.'

1408. *Raine's North Durham*, 287. *Norham.* For the carriage of 'vj fother de ake spires,' x s.

1439. *Reg. ii. Prior. Dunelm*, 102 *b.* 'ij trees of ake for ribbes.' Cf. *S.S.* xlv. 196, xxvi. 42, lxxxi. 283.

Akenay, *sb.* An old form of **Hackney,** or riding-horse. Cf. *S.S.* xxix. 24, 76, and vi. 211.

Aketon, *sb.* Cf. **Acton.**

Alablaster, Alabaustre, etc. Alabaster, a kind of marble. Cf. *S.S.* ix. 131. Old Fr. *Alabastre* (M.). *Teesdale, Craven,* and *Hallamshire Gloss.*

1381. *S.S.* iv. 114. *Will of Sir Wm. de Latimer.* 'Je l'ay devise . . que mon corps soit porte et enterre illoeques, et que la tombe d'alabaustre q'est en le dit esglise soit surmys come j'ay autrefois devise.'

1467. *S.S.* xlv. 160. Robert Este of York leaves 'unam ymaginem S. Joh. Evang. de white alablastre.'

1509. *S.S.* lxxix. 16. *Will of Sir John Gilliott of York.* 'I yeve to by a tabill of alblaster to the high awter in Saint Saviour Kirk, v marc.'

1567. *S.S.* lxxxi. 344. *Ripon.* 'Ther is . . reserved vj great tables of alablaster full of imageis.'

c. 1600. *Nichols' Topogr. and Genealogist*, ii. 413. *Description of Cleveland.* 'Within the

sea-marke, on Wilton-side, lyeth a roeke of exeellent plaister, cankered by the salte-water; but if yt were searched in the fyrme lande, yt is probable that yt would prove rare alablaster.'

Alblasterer, Alblasterman, Ayleblaster, Ayleblasterer. Awblaster (Jamieson). Cf. **Arblast.** A maker of arbelests or crossbows. Fr. Lat. *Albelastarius.* Circa 1220. 'Robertus albelastarius de Gevildale,' *E. R. Y.*, gives his nativus, Wm. son of Gerard, to Walter de Wisbeach (*Reg. Magn. Alb. D. & C. Ebor.* iv. 37). In the York Freemen's Book, the trade of each person admitted is given, so that these were not bowmen, but bowyers.

1459. *Freemen's Book, York.* Willelmus Warde, ayleblasterer. Willelmus Cowelrygge, ayleblaster.

1463. *Id.* Johannes Roper, alblasterer.

1464. *Id.* Johannes Ayide, alblasterer.

1489. *Id.* Thomas Roper, alblasterman.

Alacking, *pres. pple.* Missing, wanting.

1609. *S.S.* lxxxiv. 60. *Pittington, co. Durham.* 'To Robert Gibson for gitting of a weather that was alacking iij d.'

Alane, *adj.* Distinct. Old Engl. *Jamieson, Brockett, Teesdale, and Craven Gloss.*

1357. *Metrical Catechism of Archbp. Thoresby at York.* 'Halikirk our modir is haly and allane thurgh oute the world.' Cf. *S.S.* iii. 272.

Alanely, Alonely, *adv.* Only. *Allanerly* (Jamieson).

1357. *Metrical Catechism of Archbp. Thoresby at York.* 'Ne alanely in traist of our gode dedis.'

1417. *Reg.* i. *Civ. Ebor.* 59 *a.* 'Y^t na man of ye gyrdeler-crafte passe oute of yis citie unto na market, but alanely unto cried, open faires.'

1446. *S.S.* ix. cclxxxiii. *Durham.* 'I lete never other man have knawledge thereof bod him in grett councell allonly.'

1455. *York Enrolment Book, B.Y.* 144. *Will of Sir Thos. Fulthorp, co. Durham.* 'I will that he have . . alonely the profettes and revenues,' etc.

Sacr. xv. *Customs of Burgesses of Malton.* 'It is usyd y^t noo man y^t holdes of thame schall haffe noo cowrte bot alonly ye burgese cowrte.'

1533. *York House Book,* xii. 17. 'Alonly to do as my Lord Mayer . . useth & doth.'

Alarum, *sb.* An alarm, summons to arms. Old Fr. *alarme* (M.).

1566. *Guild Book, Berwick-on-Tweed,* ii. 123. 'At the laste alarum beinge within this towne, Mr Jackson, with others, cam not dewtyfullie to accompanie Mr Mayor.'

1591. *Book of Presentments, Ibid.* 'We think it fitt that when any allarum or affray doth rise in the night, that every one ought to sett a light in their windowes for the better passage of men to their charge.'

1599. *S.S.* xvii. 147. *Lr to Archbp. Hutton.* 'You cannot but here what alarums we have had, and yet have, of the Spanyerds approching.'

c. 1700. *Nichols' Topogr. and Genealogist,* ii. 417. *Description of Cleveland.* 'On the outermoste roeke one greate seale or more keepes sentynell, which, upon the first inklinge of any danger, giveth the alarum to the reste.'

1655. *Treatise of the Four Last Things, by Simon Birckbek of Gilling near Richmond,* 123. 'They fear no colours, no alarums, no beating up of quarters: it is a kingdom of peace.'

Alate, *adv.* Of late. *Alatt* (Craven).

1556. *York House Book,* xxii. 34. 'We ever have beyn accustomyd to have withoute any mane's denyer unto now alate.'

Alaying, *sb.* Putting fresh metal to an instrument. The vb. *Lay* is now used in the North in the same sense.

1409-10. *Roll for Building the Cloisters at Durham.* 'Pro alayng securium, chysells, wegges, etc.'

Albe, *conj.* = **Albeit.**

Sacr. xv. *York Mystery Plays,* 2. 'Allbe at ones erthe haly & helle.'

Alcomy, *sb. Alkamye* (Prompt. Parv.). Alchemy. A mixed metal—supposed to be produced by alchemy. *Accomie, accumie* (Jamieson).

1631. *Inv. at Snaith, W. R. Y.* 'v silver spoones, a dozen tin spoones, a pewter basin, & ij aleumy spoones, j l. ij s.'

1641. *Inv. of Matt. Rathmell of Barton, Richmond Wills, etc.* 'One bason & ewer of alcomye.'

Ald, *adj.* Early form of **Old**; common in the North. Old Engl. *Jamieson.*

1429. *S.S.* xii. 104. *Durham.* 'Wyth thar reghtewyse and alde boundes als ther charters shewys.'

1433. *Enrolment Bk., City of York,* B. Y. 125. 'We may be so demened yat we may contynne furth in our ald possession.' Cf. *S.S.* xxxv. 299.

1491. *S.S.* xxix. 12. *Jarrow, co. Durham.* 'xij dublers novæ, xiij dublers alde.'

c. 1530. *Arch. Æl. n. s.* i. 89. *Survey of Berwick-on-Tweed.* 'Of the same part is the distaunce of v^xx yerdes of ald wawll.'

Aldermanship, *sb.* The office of alderman.

1499. *York House Book,* viii. 42. 'Mr Scotton, late alderman, hath discharged hymself of aldermanship.'

1634. *Id.* xxxv. 258. 'If he will give over his aldermanshipp, the citty will allow him fortie markes per ann.'

Alderwoman, *sb.* The wife of an alderman.

1587. *Feb.* 1. *H. Trin. Church, Hull, P. R.* Elizabeth Dalton, alderwoman, bur.

1668. *Dec.* 29, *Ibid.* Mrs. Priscilla Lindley, alderwoman, bur.

Aldress, *sb.* The wife of an alderman.

1607-8. *Reg. Ebor. Will of John Bramhall of Pontefract, Aldermun.* 'To be buried in the middle alley within the churche of Allhallowes in P. under the greate blewe through, at the end of the Maior's & Aldresses' stall.'

1630-1, Jan. 22. *Doncaster Par. Reg.* 'Mrs. Jane Barwicke, alderesse, bur.'

1701-2, Mar. 4. *Holy Trin., Hull. Par. Reg.* 'Aldress Anne Bloom, vid^a, bur.'

1713–14, Jan 19. *Leeds. Thoresby's Diary*, ii. 180. 'Madam Nevill was this day buried with great state; yesterday also was another aldress (Mrs Armitage) interred' (at Leeds).

Ale, *sb.* A merry meeting, often beginning with business of some kind. Old Engl. *Brockett.*

1595. *Eccl. Proc. York* (Manchester). 'John Grene made an ale upon Sonday the 25th of May last, where was greate fighting & disorder.'

1647. *S.S.* lxv. 40. *Hazlehead, W. R. York.* 'This morne I went to Shorehall, and so . . . to bid guests to an ale to Catchaw.'

Ale-draper, *sb.* A publican or alehouse-keeper. *Whitby and Cleveland Gloss.* Common in York in the last century.

1735. May 7. 'John, the son of William Slack, aledraper, bur.' (*Doncaster Par. Reg.*)

Ale-finer, *sb.* An official examiner of ale.

1581. *Court of Earl of Shrewsbury for Selby.* 'In paine yt the brewsters doe sende for the ale fyners before ye tyme, iij s. iiij d.'

Ale-grave, *sb.* = Ale-taster, Ale-finer, and Ale-conner.

1479. *S.S.* xlvi. 73. At Salton, in Ryedale, the Prior of Hexham 'eliget ale-graves, watergraves, et iiij juratos.'

Ale-knight, *sb.* A haunter of alehouses, a drunkard.

1575. *Eccl. Proc. at York from Chester.* The Vicar of Whalley is charged with being 'a common drinker and ale-knight.'

Ale-rod, *sb.* A pole or sign for selling ale. Ale-pole in 'Phil. Dictv.'

1613. *N. Riding Record Soc.* ii. 31. At Malton a woman is presented 'for cominge forth of her house with a pitchforke and beating awaie a man that was cutting down her ale-rodd.'

Ale-stand, *sb.* A rack or frame on which the casks of ale or beer lay when they were in use, or abroach. In the Finchale Inv., in 1411, there were 'v pipæ pro servisia, ij cadi, et ij stands' (*S.S.* vi. clvi).

1562. *S.S.* xxvi. 168. *Inv. of Joan Wycliffe of Richmond.* 'j ale stand j d.'

Ale-taster, *sb.* An examiner or taster of ale. Gustator cerevisiæ. *Brockett.*

1368. *S.S.* lxxxii. 68. *Coupen, co. Durham.* 'Johannes Pulter et Rob. Fauks electi sunt pro tastatoribus cervisiæ.'

Sæc. xv. *Customs of the Burgesses of Malton.* 'It is usyd yt the sayd Burgese schall chese in ye cowrte two ale tastars, ye qwhyche two tastars, wt j sub ballyffe, schall taste the ale of all common Brewers every weke. And yai fynde any ale not sufficiant for j peny a galon, than ye sayd tasturs schall sett it at iij farthynges j galon. And iff so be ye brewers wyll sell it abown yt price, they schall be amersyd, and ye ale schall be forfett.'

1518–19. *York House Book*, ix. 99. 'It is enacted ther shalbee too ayle-taisters sworne in every parishe. The brewsters shall send for the seid ayletaisters to take a taste of ther ayl at the tyme of the tunnyng of the same.'

1631. *Darlington Borough Book. Longstaffe's Darlu*, 287. 'We ly a paine that the searchers of aile taisters . . shall taiste ayle & beare evry monneth & that they present the offender that kepeth not the true assyse of ale & beare.'

Algate, Algates, *adv.* Always, everywhere. *Jamieson* and *Brockett.*

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 12. 'Syn that we shalle algates go.'

Id. 228. 'Thou wold alle gaytt be kyng of Jues.'

Aliaunt, *sb.* Old form of **Alien.** *Alienigena* (*Reg. Ebor.* A. y. 60, sæc. xv.). Old Fr. *alien* (M.).

1594. *York Barber Surgeons' Book, in Br. Museum.* 'All aliauntes and straungers . . to be contributorie to the companie, yearlie, vj s. viij d.'

Alicant, *sb.* Wine made at Alicante in Spain (M.).

1620. *S.S.* lxviij. 138. *Ld William Howard's Account Book.* 'v pintes of Aligant, ij s. vj d.'

Alicer, *sb.* Alegar = Ale-aigre, or sour (M.). Alegar is to ale, what vinegar is to wine (*Leicestersh. Gloss*). A kind of vinegar made out of sour ale.

1680. *Inv. Snaith, W. R. Y.* 'A flaskitt with ij vessels full of alicer, j l. iij s. iiij d.'

Alie, *sb.* Old form of **Ally.** Old Fr. *alier*; Lat. *alligare* (M.). Alliance or connection, probably through marriage.

1481. *York House Book*, ii. 25. 'The said William Brown was nather of alie, ne of blode to eny Scotishman.'

Alinger, *sb.* A forme of **Alnager.** Old Fr. *aulnegeor* (M.). An officer to examine into the quality, make, etc., of woollen goods. It was his duty to seal them. Some of these seals have been found in York. Cf. *N. R. Record Soc.* iv. 73.

1614–15. *York House Book*, xxxiv. 49. A letter from London says that 'two commissions have been graunted unto the Duke of Linox, makeing hym generall alinger of England.'

Alisaunder, Alexander, *adj.* Alexandrine, or Alexandrian work. A species of striped silk (M.) of different colours, and common in England in the 15th and 16th centuries. It was, I believe, very stout in substance.

1392. *S.S.* iv. 174. *York.* 'Lego dim. peciæ burd Alysaunder ad ornationem summi altaris eccl. meæ parochialis. Cf. *id.* 251, and xxx. 34.

1401. *Status domus de Holy Island.* 'Item j casula cum alba et paruris de burd-Alisander, per Dominum Robertum Claxton.'

1448. *S.S.* xlv. 110. *Inv. of Thos. Morton, Canon of York.* 'De j vestimento de burde Alysaundre, viridis coloris, v s.'

1457. *Status domus de Farne.* 'j casula de burd-Alexander ex dono Johannis Ull.'

c. 1460. *Id.* 163. *Sewerby.* 'De j vestimento pro sacerdote de rubio bourd Alexandre, vj s. viij d.'

1543. *S.S.* xxxv. 282. *York Minster.* 'One vestment of read Alixander; one vestment of

grene Alixander with flowers; one hanging afore th' alter, of Alixander.'

Alkyn, *adj.* All kinds of. Old Engl. *Allkyn, alkyn* (Jamieson).

1357. *Archbp. Thoresby's Catechism.* 'Alkyns mysbeleves and al mawmetries.'

Sacr. xv. *York Mystery Plays*, 493. 'Here schall thou alkynne solas see.'

Sacr. xv. *S.S.* iii. 125. 'In tokyn that he kyng schalbe of alkyn thyng.'

Sacr. xv. *Poem on the Trinity, by Wm. Nassington of York. MS. Stowe*, 753, 33. 'For alkyn gude yat may be.'

Allam, Allom, Allum, *sb.* Alum, the mineral. Old Fr. *alum*; Lat. *alumen* (M.). Alum is found in large quantities on the coast of Cleveland, and there is a curious account of the working of it at Whitby in Simpson's *Hydrological Essays*, 8vo. 1670, pp. 65 75. It was sold by the cwt. Foul alum is alum with its impurities; rock or roche alum is alum which has passed through the roaching-pan and is thereby purified.

1570. *S.S.* ii. 338. *Inv. Bertram Anderson of N.C.* 'One punshen of allame, vj l. x s. Halfe a barrell of allame, xxv s.'

1571. *Id.* 364. *Inv. John Wilkinson of N.C.* 'j c. and ½ a qr. of fewld allom, ij li. ij. doss. lb. of rocke allom, viij s. Cf. *Id.* 414, 436, and xxxviii. 120.

1578. *S.S.* xxvi. 280. *Inv. Jas. Backhouse of Kendal.* 'Allom, half a hundreth, xiij s.'

Allamer, *sb.*

1467. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* iv. 43. Will of Alice Langwath of York. 'Aliciæ Braunce j allamer ij lagenarum, j pelvem.'

Allam-ledder, *sb.* Leather prepared with alum.

1566. *S.S.* ii. 264. *Inv. Ralph Bouman of Durham.* 'For allam ledder, xx s.'

Allegeance, *sb.* The allegations, or things alleged. Old Fr. *alégance* (M.); Lat. *allegatio.* Cf. *Reg. Civ. Ebor. A. Y.* 271, sæc. xv.

Sacr. xv. *Reg. Civ. Ebor. A. Y.* 277 *b.* 'When thay had lang tyme tretyd in this mater indifferentely, & herd and understand the allegeance and evidence of bathe sydes.'

Allegeance, *sb.* Alleviation. Old Fr. *alegeance* (M.).

1357. *Archbp. Thoresby's Catechism.* 'In lightenes and alegeaunce of thair sekenesse.'

Allegement, *sb.* An allegation.

1490. *Morehouse's Kirkburton, W. R. Y.*, p. 62. 'Th'allegeaments & records of both ye said parties to the same herd & by gud deliberacion clerlie understand.'

1516. *Plumpton Corr.* 217. 'I made aledgment for your mastership.'

Aller, *sb.* The alder. Old Engl. *alor, aler* (M.). *Eller* is another Northern form (cf. *S.S.* xxxviii. 158, and *Snaith Inv.*). *Brockett*, and *Turner's Herbal* (*E. E. D. S.*), xxxiv. 10.

1365. *S.S.* lxxxii. 45. *Raunton, near Durham.* 'Præceptum est attachiare Tho. Nouthird . . de lx arboribus, vocatis allers, per ipsum excorisatis.'

1528. *Surtees' Durham*, ii. 137. Cardinal Wolsey leases 'quercos, allers, et subboscum' at Chester-le-Street, co. Durham.

1542. *Survey of the Borders, Caligula* B. 8. *The Cheviots.* On the sides of the streams 'there growyth many allers, and other rammell wood.'

1615-16. *Eccl. Proc. Durham, Medomsley.* He 'did buye seaven score birk trees and allers.'

Allers, *adj.* All, all of us. *Aller* (*Jamieson*).

1506-7. *Reg. iv. Parv. Pr. & Conv. Durham. Lr from the Prior to the King.* 'My brethirn and I, with our allers consent, wrote,' etc.

Allettys, *sb.* The French *ailette.* 'A steel plate worn by men-at-arms on their shoulders' (M.).

1314. *Reg. Palat. Dunelm.* ii. 674. *Inv. Sir John Marmaduk.* 'Item j gaunbeson cum allettys, pretii liij s. iiij d.' Cf. *S.S.* ii. 18.

Alley, *sb.* i. The *ala*, or aisle, of a church. ii. An alley or passage. Common. Lat. *ala, aula*, or *insula.* Old Fr. *alee. Hallamshire Gloss.*

i. 1358. *Reg. Thoresby at York.* The Archbp. allows Sir Robert Hilton of Swine 'ad animas Matildæ et Margeriæ, filiarum suarum, in posteriori parte porticus, sive aulæ, S. Trin. in eccl. par. de Swyna sepultarum, in loco eminenciori et denotiori dicti porticus sive alæ, in quo quidem loco idem miles intendit sepeliri, . . transferendum."

ii. 1495-6. *S.S.* liii. 274. Robt. Hancock, par. S. Mich., York, desires to be bur. 'in le alia, ex parte boriali.'

. . 1512. *S.S.* lxxix. 37. Jane Harper of York desires 'to be buried in the midd alye, at my stale end.'

. . 1558. *York Registry.* John Parkin desires to be buried at Fishlake 'in the north alley, where best roome may be had.'

. . 1565. *S.S.* xxvi. 180. Richard Binks of Richmond desires burial 'in the mydde allie, before the quere dore.'

. . *c.* 1590. *S.S.* xv. 32. *Durham Cath.* 'In the north allei from the north church dor to the owse allei in the myds of the church, called the Lantren alley, where the Lantren standeth.'

All-fulness, *sb.* The power to fill all.

1658. *James Fisher of Sheffield*, '*The Wise Virgin*,' *4th ed., Introd.* 'Oh what happinesse for a poor soul to lose itself in the all-fulnesse of Christ.'

All-hallow-mass, *sb.* All Saints Day. Old Engl.

1503. *Plumpton Corr.* 'In the weke next afore Allhallowmase.'

1552. *York City House Book*, xx. 105. 'Before the fest of All-halow-mas next.'

Allhallowtide, *sb.* The season of All Saints. Old Engl.

1511-12. *Northumbd Household Book, ed. Nicolas*, 8. 'The fyrst paymentt at All Hallow tide.'

1609. *N. R. Record Soc.* i. 167. *Malton.* 'The pension for Captayne Wood be paid before Allhallow-tyde.'

1641. *S.S.* xxxiii. 146. *Elmsall, E. R. Y.* 'They come to worke about Allhallow tide;

by that time they can well see abounte them in the morninge.'

Alliance, *sb.* Ally, kinsman. Old Fr. *aliance.*

1498-9. *S.S.* liii. 162. *Will of Rob. Hirste of Leeds.* 'To Margaret Jopis, my alyance, for hir good service, v marke.'

1536-7. *Reg. Lee, Ebor. Will of Sir Wm. Gurnell of Full Sutton.* 'To Thos. Hugaite, my allyaunce, my best doublet.'

1538. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* xi. 287. Henry Wotton of Barnsley leaves 'to Elen Waller, my wyfe alliance, v merces.'

All-if, *conj.* Although.

Sacr. xv. *York Miracle Plays,* 41. 'All-yf thou can litill skill.'

Allow, *vb.* To judge, or reckon. Old Fr. *alouer* (M.).

c. 1460. *S.S.* iii. 15. 'If thou teynd fals, thou bese alowed ther-after als.'

Allowance, *sb.* Old Fr. *alouance.* Lat. *allocatio.* i. Generally a deduction from an Accompt, sometimes by reason of some particular out-payment, or arrear, sometimes as a remuneration of the Accomptant. This also took the form of food and drink, and in this sense the word still obtains. Also repayment. ii. A grant.

i. *c.* 1490. *Plumpton Corr.* 68. *Lr from the Cellarer of Newbrough.* 'Robart Goles brought with him a byll of alowance for Aykton Kilne.'

c. 1524. *Churchwardens' Books, St. Michael's Spurriergate, York.* 'We aske alowans that we haffe laide downe abowyth the reporacions of the kirke' (*i.e.* repayment).

Id. 1594. 'Paid for our alowaunce at our coumpte makinge upe, iij s. iiij d.'

1536. *S.S.* lxxxi. 15. *Ripon.* 'Sum of the allowance x s. iiij d., and so remanyth liiij li. xxj d.'

1567. *S.S.* xvi. 211. *Inv. of Geo. Neville of Well.* 'The curet of Spofforth, for his half yeare's wagis & allowans for gathering and leading of tythe, xiij li.'

1583. *S.S.* xiv. 421. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'I am driven both to lend good sums of money, and also to give more rewards than I can call for allowance' (*i.e.* repayment).

ii. *c.* 1600. *Nichol's Topogr. and Genealogist,* ii. 406. *Description of Gisbro' Priory.* 'Twoe gatehouses had lodgings, & all houses of offyces aperteyninge to a dwelleinge house, whereof twoe of the Bulmers, knights, . . were porters, havinge allowance, when they came, of a plentifull dyet at eyther gate, to enterteyne strangers, & of many horses in wynter in the stable, as in sommer at grasse.'

Allyment, *sb.* The element, or air.

1569. *S.S.* xxi. 192. *Sedgefield, co. Durham.* 'Se the dyvell domines [another witness says, 'Homilies'] fle into the allyment.' The Church-books were being burned.

Alm, *sb.* The elm tree. *Aum* (*Brockett, Tecsdale, and Craven Gloss.*).

1602. *York Reg., D. and C. Inv.* Thos. Haxwell of York leaves 'j alme bowe, etc., v s. x d.'

1669. *Diary of J. Swale of Askham, near York.* 'saw awm tree, mell head, & stile.'

Almaine, *sb.* A German Old Fr. *Alleman* (M.).

1582. *S.S.* xiv. 218. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'The Englishman sent by Malveysier to the Duke remaineth still with him, pretending to be an Almaine.'

Almaine-Reitter, *sb.* A German rider or horse-soldier.

1582. *S.S.* xiv. 390. *Lr from Sir R. Bowes.* 'Their foreign horsemen shall be Allmen Reisters, and take shipping at Hamburgh.'

Almaine-rivets, *sb.* Armour for the body composed of splints rivetted together, from Alemaigne, or Germany.

1532. *Raine's North Durham,* 296. *Norham Castle.* 'For cleaning ciij Almayne reyvetts, xx d.'

1533. *S.S.* xviii. 139. *Durham.* 'Pro mundacione v Almayne reyvetts, xx d.'

1538. *Survey of Alnwick Castle. Newcastle Vol. of Arch. Inst.* ii. 177. 'Furst, xij score & foure payre of Almen ryvetts, & as many payre of splenttes.'

1574. *S.S.* xxvi. 246. *Inv. of Roger Burgh, par. Catterick, N. R. Y.* 'One corslet, and one Almane rivet, with the rest of his harnes, v li.'

Almery, Amber, Ambry, Aumbry, Awmry. Old Fr. *almaire.* Lat. *almariolum.* There was at Wearmouth in 1321 'j almariolum" (*S.S.* xxix. 140). 'Pro j almariolo pro libris imponendis,' 1329 (*Norham Church Roll*). In *S.S.* ix. ccccxlv, is the bill for making an almariolum in the Cloisters of Durham in 1433. The books at Durham were kept in a 'commune almariolum' (*S.S.* vii. 212), described in *S.S.* xv. 71. The walls of Archbp. Zouche's chapel at York are still lined with ancient almeries, containing records.

The word 'Almery' is somewhat wide in its meaning, running from a large standing case of wood to a case let into a wall (a locker), a box, and even a rabbit-hutch. *Ambry* and *aumbry* (Brockett), *aumry* (Craven), *almerie, ambry, aumery* (Jamieson).

1371. *Accompt Roll, Vicars Choral, York.* 'In j clave pro halmery in capella, iij d.'

c. 1440. *S.S.* xlv. 99. *Inv. of John Cadeby of Beverley.* 'j almary vetus cum tribus stadiis [three stages high], ij s.'

1567-8. *S.S.* xxxv. 113. *York Minster.* 'To Edmonde Dacres for iij dayes worke bestowed aboute tayking downe certeyne almeryes.'

1567. *S.S.* ii. 250. *Inv. Eliz. Hutton of Hunwick, co. Durham.* 'An almerye with iiij doores & ij shootts, xiij s. iiij d.'

1570. *S.S.* ii. 334. *Inv. of Wm. Dagg of Gateshead.* 'j ambry, & a drinke ambry [for holding wine and beer], viij s.'

1572-3. *Durham Registry. Will of Eliz. Sommer.* 'An almerie which was for keeping of conies' (a rabbit-hutch).

c. 1590. *S.S.* xv. 2. *Rites of Durham.* 'Severall lockers or ambers for the safe keepinge of the vestments and ornaments belonginge to every altar; with three or four amryes in the wall pertaining to some of the said altars, for the same use & purpose.'

Id. 68-9*a.* 'Within the Frater-house door there

is a strong ambrie in the stone wall, where a great mazer, called the Grace-cup did stand . . and a fine work of carved wainscot before it, and a strong lock, yet so as none could perceive that there was any ambrie at all, for the key hole was under the carvel work of the wainscot.' The plate and linen were also in almeries, and the books (67, 71).

c. 1600. *Nichols' Topogr. and Genealogist*, ii. 421. *Description of Cleveland.* 'The place . . may well be called the Aumbrey of nature, for many of those raretyes which are dispersed in sondrye other storehouses of severall countryes, are here compassed in a lyttle circuyte of grounde.'

1685. *G. Meriton's Poems*, 44.

'I laid um here under the awmry soal.'

Almightful, *adj.* Almighty.

Sacr. xv. *York Miracle Plays*, 175. 'Allmightfull lorde, grete is thi grace.'

Almons, *sb* = Almonds. Cf. *S.S.* ii. 415; xxvi. 275.

Almosner, *sb.* Almoner. Lat. *elemosinarius* (*S.S.* xxi. 13). *Almaser, almoseir, almousser* (Jamieson). Cf. **Aumry** and **Aumener.**

1499. *York City House Book*, viii. 42. 'Thomas Wentworth, servaunt to y^e^ kynge's almosner,' is mentioned.

1513. *Arch. Æl. n. s.* v. 179. *Lr from Bp of Durham.* 'Maister almosner, this victory was the most honorable.'

Alms, Almes, Almose, Almous, Almus, *sb.* Alms. Old Engl. *ælmysse* (M.). Lat. *elemosina. Almons, almous, almows, awmous* (Jamieson). *Awmus* (Brockett). *Aumus* (Whitby). *Ommus, awmous,* or *awmus* (Cleveland). *Aumus* (Mid Yks. and East Yks.). *Awmus* (Craven and Holderness). *Awmoss* (Thoresby).

1429. *S.S.* ii. 78. *Will of Roger Thornton of Newcastle.* 'To every hows of almouse ordeynct for bedrydens in Newecastle, j marc.'

1444. *S.S.* xxx. 105. John Aldwyk of Hull leaves lands, etc., 'in almose for the saules of my father,' etc.

Sacr. xv. *Nassington's Poem on the Trinity, MS. Stowe*, 753, 159. 'Yare fore ye wyse man biddes us be mercyable to do almous.'

1477. *Plumpton Corr.* 35. 'He wold labor their deliverance for almes, not takeing a penny.'

1515. *S.S.* lxxix. 58. *Will of S. Ellis of Bolton-in-Bolland.* 'What remaynes I put to the grettest almouse that they can thynke.'

1646. *S.S.* xl. 6. *Heptonstall, W. R. Y.* 'Shee tould her shee had given her a good almes of woull before . . but did give her an almes of milke.'

Alms-bed, *sb.* A bed for a poor person, generally in an almshouse. Sometimes called a 'God's bed.' Cf. *S.S.* lvii. 272; lxxix. 21, 26; xxvi. 172.

Alms-dish, *sb.* Cf. *S.S.* iv. 114.

Alms-house, *sb.* Cf. *Brand's Newc.-on-Tyne*, i. 642; *S.S.* lxxix. 26; xxxviii. 102; and *Visitation Articles of Bp. Neile of Durham*, 4to. Lond. 1627.

Alms-man, *sb.* Cf. *S.S.* ii. 308; xxii. cxxiii.; *Nichols' Topogr. and Genealogist*, ii. 406.

Alms-woman, *sb.* A woman in receipt of alms.

c. 1490. *Reg. Civ. Ebor.* A. Y. 366. 'Unto the tyme the . . fee ferme werr unto the said almus women fully content and paid.'

Alne, *sb.* The meaning here is sheeting made of linen, spun at Alne, near Easingwold, an estate belonging to the treasurer of York Minster.

1393. *S.S.* iv. 170. *Will of John de Clifford, treasurer of York Minster.* 'Volo quod dominus Joh. Rednes habeat . . unum par lynthiaminum de panno de Alne.'

Along, *adv.* Lengthwise. Old Engl. *and-lang* (M.).

1677. *Breirly's Bundle of . . . Truths*, 34. *Grindleton-in-Craven.* 'Jove lyes along, even like to dye.'

Alongst, *prep.* Alongside of. See **Along.**

1583. *Lib. Recept. Civ. Ebor.* p. 90. At Steeton, near York, 'jacente juxta, Anglicè alongst, le howe.'

1587. *MS. Survey of Berwick-on-Tweed, Titus F.* xiii. 269. 'The oulde walles of the towne from the castell-bridge alongeste the wyndmylle hole . . xvij fote.'

1611-2. *York House Book*, xxxiii. 253. '— Harland, tiler, shall cause the paveinge alonghest his wall to be maide levill.'

Alour, Ailour, Alouring, *sb.* Lat. *alura*; Old Fr. *aleure.* A passage on the roof behind the parapet walls or battlements, or in the clerestory, etc., inside the church, or on the floor of the church itself.

1379-80. *S.S.* lxxxi. 101. *Ripon Minster.* 'In vij panellis vitreis . . in alura superiore emendandis, iij d.'

1394. *S.S.* iv. 197. John de Quenby desires to be bur. in St. Helen's, Aldwark, 'in alura inter fontem et introitum chori.'

1398. *S.S.* ix. clxxxi. *Contract for building the Dormitory at Durham.* 'Desuper historiam fenestrarum erunt honesta alours et bretesmontes batellata et kirnellata.' Cf. *id.* clxxxviii, 'ailours et bretissementa.'

1412. *Contract for building Catterick Church.* 'He sall make a tranche botras rising unto the tabill y^t^ sall bere the aloring.' 'The hight of the walles of the quere sall be abone the grounde twenty fote, with an alurynge abowne, that is to say with a course of aschelere & a course of creste.' 'The ele sall be alourde accordant to the quere.'

1413-14. *Fabric Roll of Selby Abbey.* 'In servicio j hominis mundantis aluras ecclesiæ, claustri, etc. per ann. . . v s.'

Alow, *prep.* Below. Old Engl. *Alaigh, alow* (Jamieson).

1505. *Guild Book of Berwick-on-Tweed*, i. 3. 'No man, hawyn malvezey to sell him, shall retayll alow xvj d. the galon.'

Als, *adv.* and *conj.* As, relative or conjunctive. With antecedent Also.

Alse, Als (M.). Old Eng. Common.

1357. *Archbp. Thoresby's Catechism.* 'Als that a gret clerk shewes in his boke.' Cf. *S.S.*

iv. 186; xxiv. 91–2; xxx. 176; and North Durham, 210, etc. etc.

Alslong, *adv.* As long.

1528. *S.S.* lxxix. 265. *Will of John Rose of Nottingham.* 'Alslong as the said money will or shall suffice.'

Als-mekyll. As much. Old Engl. *Alsmekle* (Jamieson).

c. 1425. *North Durham*, 210. *Norhamshire.* 'For alsmykyl als he nys moȝt gilty of ye said deth.'

1442. *Will of Wm. Babthorpe. Hist. of Hemingbrough*, 177. In als mekyll as yn theem ys.'

1450. *Reg. ii. Parv. Pr. & Conv. Durham. Lr to Sir R. Ogle.* 'For alsmykill as I am enformed,' etc.

1454. *S.S.* xxx. 176. *Will of R. Constable of Bossall, N. R. Y.* 'For alsmekyll as I garte seese Codirston lande.'

1466. *Hampsthwaite. Yks. Arch. Journal*, ii. 92. 'For alsmekyll as hitt lay upon his ground.'

Sæc. xv. *Poem by Wm. Nassington of York, MS. Stowe*, 733, f. 48 *b.*

'In als mykell als hys wylle to gan,
He es slaer of yat man.'

Alsome, *a.* A word of doubtful meaning.

1535. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* xi. 233. Nicholas Bellamy of East Markham leaves 'a paire of alsome sheites.'

Alsoon, Assoon, *adv.* As soon. *Alsone* (Jamieson).

1454. *Domesday Book. D. & C. York*, 132. *Deed of the Prior of Pontefract.* 'To be paid als sone as sufficiente surtee is maid.'

1470. *S.S.* xlv. 186. *Nottingham.* They 'to do a messe on the morowe aftyr, alsone as they shall mowe.'

1527–8. *S.S.* lxxix. 237. *Will of John Gerves of Hornsey, E. R. Y.* 'Als sowne after my beriall, as can be possible.'

Alswa, Alsway, *adv.* Also. Old Engl. *alswá. Alsua* (Jamieson).

c. 1370. *S.S.* xxxv. 181. *York Minster.* 'Yai may dyne byfore none, yf yai wille, and, alswa, ette atte none.'

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 186. 'Oure lantarnes take with us alsway.'

Sæc. xv. *Poem by Wm. Nassington of York, MS. Stowe*, 753, 37.

'Ye seconde thyng es drede alswa.'

1442–3. *S.S.* xii. 146. *Durham.* 'The fee of the said offiee, and alsua other fife mare.'

Altarstone, *sb.* i. Probably a portable altar. ii. The large altar-stone with five crosses on it.

1558. *S.S.* xxvi. 122. *Inv. of Anne Ducket of Grayrigg, Kendal.* 'A Messell and vestements, with aulter stoyne, vj s.

1677. *Acct. Book of R. Walmesley of Selby and Dunkenhalgh.* 'For an altar-stone, 5 s.'

ii. 1569. *S.S.* xxi. 139. *Durham.* 'The said Robert & Henry did . . gett both the alter stones, the one on Mr. Swyfft backsyd, and the other was hedd in the century garth under moch mettall.'

Alterage, *sb.* Alteragium. *Aultrages, aulterage* (Jamieson). An ecclesiastical due, probably for the maintenance of the clergy. At Jarrow and Wearmouth it seems to have been collected in Lent, and, once, at Wearmouth, in 1431, it is called the 'alteragium lanæ et lini' (*S.S.* xxix. 198), as if the special charge had been laid upon the wool and flax, or perhaps the due was taken in kind. So at Pateleybridge, where much cloth was made, there was an 'alteragium panni' due to the church of Ripon (*S.S.* lxxxi. 227, 230, etc., and xii. xxvi).

'Alteragia dicuntur oblationes in pane ac pecunia, vel aliis minutis decimis. Decimæ vero minutæ consistunt in lana, lino, lacte, caseis et agnis, etiam in partu animalium ut pullis, ovis, et decimis ortorum.' *From flyleaf of Domesday Book, D. & C. York, 15th. cent.*

1536. *S.S.* lxxxi. 25. The crown receives, with other things, 'the tythe corne} and hay of the towne of Repon, with the alterage of Pateley brigges.'

Alumpning, *sb.* Illuminating. Lat. *alumpniacio* (*S.S.* xxxv. 132).

1495. *S.S.* xxxv. 130. *Chamberlain's Roll, York Minster.* 'Pro alumpnyng trium gradalium, xl s.'

Alve, Awe, *sb.* One of the floatboards of an undershot water-wheel, on which the water acts (M.).

1413-14. *Accompt Roll of Selby Abbey.* 'In servicio Joh. de Osgodby facientis xxxiiij alves pro molendinis, iiij d.'

1503. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* vi. 83 *a.* Wm. Wright of Malton desires his ex^rs^ to build a new mill at Butterwick and his sons are to repair it except 'le} cogges, spyndyll, awes & le} tryndyll.'

1532-3. *Reg. of Leases, D. & C. York*, i. 53 *b. Otley Mills.* 'Reparacions . . cogges, spendels, & alves excepted.'

Alver, *sb.* (?) A pocket, from *alvareus* (Lat.).

1349. *S.S.* ii. 19. *Inv. of John FitzMarmaduke, Lord of Horden.* 'j alver xii d. j bursa viij d.'

1351. *S.S.* ii. 64. *Will of T. de Hoton, Rector of Kirkby Misperton.* 'Item do et lego Rogero Normanville j zonam de serico, j alver meliorem quem habeo,' etc.

Alweldand, *pple.* All-wielding, almighty. Old Engl. *All-wieldand* (Jamieson).

Sæc. xv. *S.S.* iii. 156. 'Bot if my Lord God alleweldand be commen.'

Amail, *sb.* Enamel. The word **Anamel** is used in 1421 (*S.S.* xlv. 64). *Amaille, amel* (Jamieson).

1366. *S.S.* iv. 78. *Will of Thomas de Buckton, Rector of Rudby, N. R. Y.* 'Domino Johanni de Cobbeham, militi, duas pelves meas pulcherrimas cum amaill.'

Amailled, Amailling, *pples.* Anelatio (*S.S.* iii. 299), amellatus (*S.S.* xlv. 9, 24), anillatus in 1345 (*S.S.* iv. 14; ix. cliiii). The word **Enameld** is used in 1421 (*S.S.* xlv. 64, 112).

1516. *S.S.* lxxix. 73. *Will of John Young, Dean of York.* To Cardinal Wolsey 'my two gay saltes clene amelyd.'

1614. *Reg. Test. Ebor.* xxxiii. 365 *a. Will of Chr. Harrison of York, goldsmith.* 'To my

mann, James Plumer, my amellinge morter & pestell, & a paire of amellinge tonges.'

Amang, Amanges, Amonges, *prep.* Old form of **Among, Amongst.** *Amang* (Brockett, Teesdale, Craven, Whitby, and Cleveland Gloss.). This was and is the common form.

1428. *Reg. Civ. Ebor. A. V.* 255. 'Nane of yat crafte wirke any lede amang other metaill.'

1509. *S.S.* lxxix. 2. *Will of John Alayn, of Osbell, W. R. Y.* 'It is my will y' Elisabeth, my suster, be well seen to amanges youe.'

1516. *Id.* 80. *Will of Guy Palmes.* 'To be disposed amonges my sonnes.'

Amazed, *pple.* Stupefied, bewildered.

1567. *S.S.* xxi. 121. *Washington, co. Durham.* The said Horsfall, being amased, said, Srs, I have no money.'

1637. *Yks. Arch. Journal*, vi. 382. *Lr from Lord Strafford to his wife.* 'I was soe blockish & amased in good company as I am able to give you noe relation of what they were.'

1655. *Treatise on the Four Last Things, by Simon Birckbek of Gilling, near Richmond*, 25. 'I reade of a certaine learned man, whom when his friends came to visit, they found him dead in his study, with his book lying open in his lap, at which sudden accident they were much amazed.'

1671. *S.S.* xl. 185. *Pickering.* 'Being amaised, does not remember whether she had a candle or noe.'

Amatist, *sb.* Old form of **Amethyst.** Old Fr. *amatiste.* Lat. *amethystus* (M.). Cf. *S.S.* xlv. 74, 164.

Ambasset, *vb.* Embassy. Fr. *ambassade* (M.). *Ambassat, ambassiat* (Jamieson).

1519. *York House Book*, ix. 85. 'The said Twesday that the qwene rested hyr, come to this citie a solempne ambasset oute of Scotlande.'

Amber, Almer, Awmer, Awmbre, or, with the French article prefixed, **L'ambre, L'ambyr, L'awmbre, L'awmer,** *sb. Aumer* (Whitby Gloss.), and also *Lammer* in the North. From French *L'ambre* (M.). A yellowish, resinous substance, transparent, and often shaped into ornaments, found in the Baltic, and often on the seashore of the Northern counties. Quantities of it were found in York some years ago, wrought and unwrought, in connection with Danish objects, showing that it was an article of commerce in York before the Conquest. It was then chiefly made into earrings and beads. Afterwards it was generally used for beads, for worship.'

1390. *S.S.* iv. 129. *Will of Wm. Askame of York.* 'Item j payr bedys of lawmbyr w^t^ a silver bruche & a rynge al Sanctam Mariam Abathiæ.' (A pair was a set.)

1394. *Id.* 199. *Will of Sir Brian Stapleton, co. York.* 'Jeo devise a mon nevew . . mes grandes paters noster de l'awmbre.'

1410. *S.S.* xlv. 44. *Will of Wm. de Kexby of York.* 'Ricardo Walker j par bedys de l'ambyr, cum uno monili de auro.'

1412. *S.S.* ii. 56. *Inv. of R. de Kirkby, Vicar of Gainford, co. Durham.* 'Unum par de bedes de lambr' et unus Agnus Dei, x s.'

1430. *S.S.* xxx. 13. *Will of Wm. Stowe of Ripon.* 'Johanni Folkton unum par precularium de lambre.'

1497. *S.S.* liii. 121. *Will of R. Johnson of York.* 'To Malde Hancok my bedes of awmer, which bedes contenyth l s.'

1498. *Id.* 134. *Will of Alice Hildyard, of Beverley.* 'Diouisiæ Langton unum par precarum de awmbor cum gaudiis deauratis.' (The gaudia, or gaudes, were the larger beads, usually known as the Paternosters in the Rosary.)

1506. *Id.* 245. *Will of John Fell of York.* 'A payr of beiddes of almer.'

1510. *S.S.* xxxv. 224. *Inv. of York Minster.* 'Unum par precularium de albo awmbre cum le gaudeys argenti deaurati.' [White amber is an alloy of four parts of gold with one of silver (M.).]

1541. *S.S.* ii. 117. *Will of R. Towgall of Durham.* 'A pair of anmer beyds gardit with silver gardis.'

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